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Schools close to deal with Pepsi

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
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On a split 5-2 vote, the Clarkston board of education decided Monday night to pursue an agreement with Pepsi to be the new high school's exclusive soft-drink supplier.

Discussion was heated, as it has been in the last few months as the board wrestled with the idea of trading advertising in the school for financial gain. The contract would provide the district with free fountain installation, a savings of about \$40,000 per fountain, in exchange for exclusivity in the cafeteria and vending machines.

Linda Nester, Director of Administrative and Personnel Services, said a vote was needed Monday night so installation of the metal work in the cafeteria of the new school could proceed. Trustees Kurt Shanks and Mary Ellen McLean voted against pursuing the agreement. The exact contract language will come back to the board for a separate vote.

Concerns centered around advertising within the school and control over the location, price and hours of operation of vending machines. There was also some talk about the health issue surrounding soda pop, but school superintendent Dr. Al Roberts was philosophical on that point.

"We need to look at practicing what we preach in terms of children's health, but I don't think it's realistic to say we won't sell pop," he said. "The fact of the matter is youngsters are going to purchase soft drinks ... and we can be out the dollars."

Shanks' objected to the fact that the board has not approved a policy covering advertising in the schools. Administrative guidelines are in place, but it appeared Monday night that most board members felt they were unworkable. Shanks said the Pepsi deal would violate a number of the guidelines.

The contract will cover the entire high-school campus, including the athletic fields and concession stands. It will not cover any other district facilities.

"I think we are making a mistake," Shanks said. "And this is one of the easy ones. If this gets by, the world won't end, but it's going to get tougher and tougher."

March is reading month



Christie Wrotny reads to her children Taylor and Matthew at North Sashabaw Elementary School's kickoff to reading month. (Photos by George White.)

Happy birthday, Dr. Seuss

Every year in March, Clarkston elementary schools celebrate reading month with lots of fun. This year, at North Sashabaw Elementary, the event kicked off quite appropriately on Dr. Seuss's birthday, March 2.

Dr. Seuss, whose real name was Ted Geisel, would have been 94 this year. In his honor, and in the cause of encouraging kids to read, the National Education Association is organizing hundreds of events in all 50 states under the chairmanship of Baltimore Orioles star Cal Ripken Jr. On the same day Ripken was reading to kids in Florida during a break from spring training, kids, parents and teachers were reading together at North Sash.

Dr. Seuss's most famous character, the Cat in the Hat, zigzagged across the country, arriving in Washington D. C. that same day, stopping to read to children along the way.

As NEA president Bob Chase observed, "We as teachers and educators know well that children who read on their own, with family support outside of school, perform better in school."

To that end, students at North Sash. and other Clarkston elementary schools will be amassing hours of reading this month. At North Sash. the theme this year is "Go for the Gold," a tie-in with the recently completed Olympics.



Casey Meyers dons a "Cat in the Hat" hat and jokes with mom Paula and Chelsea Traffenstedt.

The one-minute calendar

MARCH 12: Springfield Township Board of Trustees meets, 7:30 p.m.

MARCH 16: Blue Ribbon Award presentation, Clarkston High School, 1 p.m.
Springfield Township Planning Commission meets, 7:30 p.m.

MARCH 17: Independence Township Board of Trustees meets, 7:30 p.m.

The News in Brief

Parenting film on TCI

As part of a statewide "March is Parenting Awareness Month" campaign, TCI Cable channel 65 will broadcast the award-winning video "A Stone's Throw" during the month of March.

The five-minute video highlights the importance of community-wide awareness of drug and alcohol issues and asks the question "What messages am I giving to the youth who are watching me?" The film will be aired at random times during the month.

Independence Township to hold garage sale

Independence Township will hold a garage sale of old and new equipment on Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21. Hours are 2-5 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-noon Saturday at the DPW on Flemings Lake Rd. For more information call Mike Turk at 625-8223.

Prosecutor to aid in truancy fight

Oakland County's school superintendents and prosecutor David Gorcyca have announced a joint agreement to help combat school truancy.

Gorcyca and the superintendents met March 4 and came up with an agreement to develop a county-wide truancy protocol stressing early intervention.

The agreement includes a proposal for a "Teen Court" where teens would judge their peers and have the authority to impose penalties for truancy.

Hughes says she'll run again

One seat on the Clarkston board of education will be up for grabs this June.

Longtime trustee Sheila Hughes currently fills that seat, and she indicated with a big smile Monday night at the board meeting that she will run again for a four-year term.

Petitions for anyone else interested in running in the June 8 election are due back to the board office by 4 p.m. on Monday, April 6. To register to vote, visit the Secretary of State's office or your local city or township clerk's office by May 11.

School website up and running

Clarkston schools now have their own Internet website, located at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us.

Technology Director Matthew McCarty made the announcement Monday at the board of education meeting. He said the site isn't completely loaded with information yet and is therefore not registered with any search engines, something he expects to accomplish within the next couple of weeks.

Series continues with talk on girls

The Strengthening the Family series continues March 18 with "Strengthening your Adolescent Girl" by Vicki Yelletz, LLP. The series is presented at the Independence Township Library Wednesdays at 7 p.m. by Wise Mothers, Youth Assistance and the Task Force for Youth.

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THE SECOND FRONT

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Gene Grier conducts the CMS choir in one of his new compositions. Teacher Danielle Blanchard can be seen at Greer's left elbow, smiling.

Composer spreads love around through music

Students get to spend a couple of hours with a Grammy winner

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

It's not often that middle-school children get to hobnob with a composer, let alone have him conduct them in a new work.

But that's exactly what happened at Clarkston Middle School last week. Gene Grier, a Clarkston resident and multiple Grammy-award winner, and his wife Audrey worked with the CMS choir in a clinic setting as the choir prepared for its upcoming festival and spring concert.

The Griers are old friends with choir director Danielle Blanchard. The students had sung a previous song of Grier's and wanted to do another one. The new one, "Twilight Circle," will be sung at the spring concert, hopefully conducted by Grier.

"We've been very fortunate here in Clarkston because they live here," Blanchard said after Friday's rehearsal. "This was written just for us. We're going to premier it in the spring."

As the choir rehearsed the number Friday, one would never have guessed it was practically brand new to them. Not only did they learn to sing it, they learned

to sign it for the deaf at the same time. They'd only had three previous rehearsals.

According to Blanchard, the song immerses the students in the science surrounding twilight. "The song presents the scientific meaning through poetry," she said.

Gene Grier said he and Audrey do such clinics twice a semester in between their work with their own choir and songwriting. "We pick the finest schools with the finest teachers," he said. "This is the only middle school we'll do this year. Ms. Blanchard was my favorite student. She's extremely talented... So we're excited to be here."

Blanchard said she brought the Griers in for a reason: "To show what they (students) can accomplish in a short time when everybody focuses... 'I may be young but look at what I can do.'"

Audrey Grier led the choir in learning sign language, after Gene Grier had led them through the song a few times. His message was consistently upbeat, but down to earth as well. He talked about discipline, love ("If you want to spread that love around, do it through music") and hard work. He also offered a bit of homespun wisdom with this "rule of good singing: If it sounds good, hold it. If it sounds bad, cut the dam thing off."



A student tries some sign language as she sings.

Independence Township

Board approves Clintonville water main

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A proposed water main extension may provide the opportunity for some new and existing residents to hook up with Independence Township's community well system.

The township board of Trustees approved, 6-0 (supervisor Dale Stuart was absent), a request from Department of Public Works director George Anderson to have township engineers Hubbell, Roth & Clarkston design a 4,000-foot water main on the west side of Clintonville Rd., from Maybee to just north of Reeder. The extension would end at the Clinton Villa Manufactured Home Community, a mobile home park.

Anderson expects to seek bids for the project in April and have the system up and running by the end of May. The extension will mean safe, clean water for those who tap in, as the township conducts frequent water testing.

Existing parcels, which include the 174-unit mobile home park, 21 homeowners, a church, a barber-shop and The Greenery nursing home, will have the option to use the system or keep their own wells.

Greenery administrator Steven Bakken said he's currently not concerned about The Greenery's well. But he would be interested in tapping into the township's water system.

"I think it's always positive when you're able to move away from the reliance on well systems to this kind of system," he said. "Obviously, when you're looking to the future to tap into a community well system, it's going to be a benefit to the people who use

that water."

Additionally, several new developments will benefit: Fox Creek, an approved 340-unit apartment complex east of Clintonville; and two proposed site condo developments, including a 72-unit project adjacent to I-75, and a smaller, 35-unit project planned for the west side of Clintonville.

The \$280,000 water main will be financed by the township, which is not typical because developers usually pay for such projects when they build their own developments. "Normally, the developer would extend by either putting in a well house or the water main," Anderson said. "Our current system was financed 90 percent by developers."

However, it's not the first time this has been done, he added. The township has used the same procedure on a portion along Flemings Lake Rd. and another on Dixie Highway, which was paid for by the Downtown Development Authority.

Because the cost of hooking up is \$1,000 per user, the capital charge per unit, the township will be able to grow its water fund by as much as \$600,000 with this project, Anderson said.

Hooking up to the system is cheaper than drilling a new well if it goes bad, he added. Anderson estimates the cost of each unit's hook-up to be roughly \$2,144, which includes the \$1,000 capital charge and \$1,144 meter tap. It could be financed over a five-year period. The property owner would pay \$500-\$600 for installation.

A new well could cost a homeowner as much as \$3,000, he added, without the benefit of financing through the township.

Initially, some board members questioned whether

it was appropriate to "make money" from such a project. But Anderson said growing the water fund will enable the township to continue the water main system as envisioned in the master plan, through completing extensions and filling in the gaps.

"We're eventually reaching the point where we're going to have to connect the dots," he said.

"We're not making money or profit. Any money that doesn't go to the operation and maintenance of the system is set aside for either extending the master plan or doing big repairs to the water system," he said from his office Monday.

Young singers score high at competition

Clarkston Middle School vocal music students brought home top ratings from the District Solo and Ensemble Festival recently.

Three ensembles and two soloists brought home top honors, a Division I rating. They are:

Allegros (ensemble): Courtney Taylor, Tori Lauzun, Danielle Canterbury, Heather Lauzun, Andrea Forst, Katie Mack.

Treblemakers (ensemble): Derek LaHouse, Charlie Kraut, Rachele Melke, Andrea Hubbard, Andrea Aldrich, Heather Lauzun, Danielle Canterbury, Jessica Seaton, Susan Smith.

Profundos (ensemble): Aaron Brown, Jeff Steele, Scott Largent, Rachele Melke, Courtney Taylor, Tori Lauzun, Jessica Seaton, Katie Mack and Amber Beadles.

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Springfield Township

Springfield to draw up job descriptions for staff, officials

Have you ever been so frustrated by peripheral tasks at work that you've yelled, "That's not in my job description!"

After Thursday, employees and elected officials of Springfield Township will have written proof if something is in their job descriptions. The township's Board of Trustees will vote on whether to approve job descriptions for all employees, including elected officials.

The board has been trading ideas for the last few meetings on what to include in the descriptions, and who should be covered.

Township clerk Nancy Strole said the last job descriptions were drawn up more than 10 years ago, so an update was needed.

"Some of the descriptions go back to 15 years ago, and they just don't apply anymore," she said. "It will give us a better idea of who is in charge of what."

The descriptions will include those of elected officials, covering the supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustees.

The regular meeting of the Springfield Township Board of Trustees starts at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the township hall in downtown Davisburg.

-- Brad Monastiere

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Clarkston, MI 48346

Policy proposed for introducing new sports

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

A three-year probation period for the introduction of new sports in Clarkston schools was proposed Monday night.

Athletic Director Dan Fife told the board of education he felt three years, with some financial assistance from the district with what he called "core needs," would give teams a chance but not burden the district with the total expense.

Fife proposed that during the first three years, the district pick up costs for coaching and game expenses. New teams wishing to start up would be required to submit a proposal to the district Athletic Council, which would then forward it to the school superintendent.

If the team survived three years, the district would then be obligated to pick up the remainder of its core costs, such as uniforms, equipment and transportation.

Fife talked about two recent sport additions in making his presentation, gymnastics and hockey. In gymnastics, the district picked up no expenses and the team fold after one year. In hockey, the team is now in its second year and is funded by parents.

"Right now the school board is committed to 90 percent of our core needs," he said. "Hockey is still out there."

School superintendent Dr. Al Roberts said he felt transportation was an issue. "If we're short in any of those core areas, it's transportation," he said. Some teams now use something other than school buses, he said.

Board treasurer Kurt Shanks wondered if the three-year probation was "too high a hurdle." "We discussed that at great length," Fife replied. "We didn't provide anything for gymnastics and after one year they folded basically... We wanted to make sure a sport that came in was going to stay... We don't want to ask the board to spend money foolishly and then be stuck with gymnastic uniforms or hockey uniforms."

The amount of dollars spent on sports make that no laughing matter. Fife said his budget is nearly half a million dollars, with only \$85,000 in gate revenues offsetting expenses. The Athletic Boosters also help with the "extras," as he called them.

Currently about 700 athletes participate in sports district-wide, with 46 teams. Sixty percent of them maintain at least a 3.0 GPA, he said.

"We know how important it is to keep kids busy," he said. "We hear a lot of negatives when they're not playing." He added that the Athletic Council will soon be bringing a plan to the board regarding intramural sports, so students who are cut from organized teams will have somewhere to play.

"Our commitment from our kids and our families is right. We just need to make sure when they are cut they have someplace to go."

Regarding swimming, Fife said he doesn't believe the district will be ready to field a swim team the first year the pool is open. He suggested a swim club, especially since the Oakland Activities Association is already scheduling swim meets for next year. Roberts agreed.

"I think we do need some time to do it right, rather than just do it."

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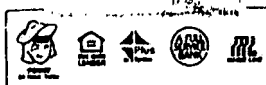
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IN FOCUS

by Annette Kingsbury

*Dr. Death
does
New York*

Dr. Jack Kevorkian's reception in New York City last week at the big Time Magazine dinner was very revealing.

In addition to the tabloids wanting to know who the girl on his arm was (his lawyer), the local newspapers reported that he was fawned over by everyone, including actor Tom Cruise, who indicated he supported Kevorkian's work.

It must have been an interesting evening for the guy in the rented tux who spends most of his days being hauled into court, or protesting outside court, or delivering bodies to the local morgues.

This week our state legislature will once again take up the fight over whether or not to outlaw assisted suicide, and whether or not to let the voters have a say in any such law. If they really want to know what we think, they'll ask us via the ballot box. But something tells me they don't really want to do that. Hey; it's an election year and Doctor Death makes as good of a campaign issue as anything else.

I have to admire the guy. Like many crusaders for social change, he's not a perfect poster child for the cause. He's not particularly photogenic. He doesn't have grade A credentials. He just has a cause he believes in passionately and will do anything to advance. And, of course, that's what it takes to get the system changed.

Look back over history and see if that isn't so. Remember being taught in elementary school about how Galileo was condemned for heresy by the Catholic Church because he knew for sure the earth revolved around the sun, not vice versa? Remember how the first women to demonstrate for women's right to vote were imprisoned and force-fed? That'll teach 'em to question the system! And of course it took a civil war to get rid of slavery.

We seem to have an awfully short memory in this country. Our legislature has tried to enact a law to stop Dr. Jack before. Juries keep acquitting him. So the fuss goes away . . . until Dr. Jack comes back and forces us to look death in the eye again, and again.

It should be obvious now what the strategy is: Make assisted suicide legal, within strict guidelines, so people won't have to suffer. Until that is done, people will have to help their loved ones surreptitiously and risk jail. Those who have no one else to help them will have to keep calling Dr. Jack. It's a spectacle I for one have had enough of. Let them die in peace, for heaven's sake. Let's stop the roll call.

Until then, give 'em hell, Jack.

Parting thought: From a Nike commercial, of all places. "You have wings. The question is, why are you hiding them?"

It's the law!

This year, two parents' Social Security numbers are required on an application for a child's Social Security number. The law also requires this information to be shared with the Internal Revenue Service for use in administering tax benefits based on support or residence of the child. For more information call 248-456-0690.



JIM'S JOTTINGS / by Jim Sherman

It's easy to say 'Have a nice trip'

First I felt a bump.
Then I saw the front end of a semi out the side window of our car.

Next thing . . .
But wait! Not too fast or you'll leave this Jottings column and turn to the obituaries.

Last year Hazel and I flew to Florida for our two week respite with fellow retired publisher Bob Mac-Donald and his wife, Pat, of Ithaca.

This year we wanted to take a more leisurely auto trip. The "leisure" started when Hazel reminded me how long we'd been on I-75.

So, out of Knoxville we headed to Gatlinburg, TN (still very decorated for Christmas) and a tour of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Not a pretty sight in mid-February.

Then to Asheville, N. C. and onto US-26 (freeway again), and "maybe we can get to Florida tonight."

Traffic was moderately heavy, going 65-70 on this 2-lane expressway (our cruise was set on 68 in the 65 mph zone and we were in the slow lane) about 4:30 p.m. Thursday, February 12. Of some things I can get exact, especially when they are on a police report.

Now back to the top of this column . . . next thing the rear of our car swung around making it perpendicular to the concrete paths.

Down the grassy median we slid. We were told later our car made two complete spins in the median. I knew we were about to tip over as our car slid sideways in the wet grass and I said, "Hang on, Hazel!"

Again, later, she said she was flopping so much she couldn't hang on. We didn't tip over.

Our car came to a stop back up on the shoulder of the freeway, still headed south, but on the speed lane side.

By the time I got out to survey the damage five vehicles were already stopped and the drivers were asking, "Are you okay?"

We were!

The man who was immediately behind us gave all the credit of our safety to God, as did we. "You had an angel right over your car," he said three or four times.

Two young men stopped. One called the police on his cellular phone. A game warden also stopped to help and kept his flashers on to slow traffic.

The driver of the gravel-hauling truck that hit us, also, after stopping his truck several yards away, came back to ask of our health. Then came state trooper Kuncie. After getting our license, registration and proof of insurance, he questioned witnesses before talking to either the other driver or us.

He determined there was no one at fault and issued no violations.

I just know there were a lot of comments by passersby about, "old coots shouldn't be allowed on the road." That's just expected. But this 71-year-old-coot has this to say about drivers . . . thank goodness there are so very many good drivers on the road. Those around us Feb. 12 all had control of their cars at these high speeds.

And, while there are too many auto accidents, think of what the total would be were there as many ill-equipped, discourteous, impatient drivers around as we sometimes seem to believe.

DON'T RUSH ME / by Don Rush

A moment of LTCMS



Boy, this whole dating gig really is a pain in the kiester. Admittedly, even as a young guy I never was much good at it . . . nowadays, eeks!

It ain't pretty, sports fans.

Recently, I had a brain cramp, which led to a moment of *Late Twentieth Century Male Sensitivity* (I hate the time in which we live). I broke down and took a chic to a flick (don't worry she don't live anywhere near town; won't read this and therefore can't get upset at being called a chic).

The LTCMS moment came at the selection of the date movie -- *Titanic*. This movie, for the three people in the world who haven't seen it, get's the infamous CF rating on the ol' Don Rush Movie Rating System.

That'd be Chic-Flick, folks.

Actually, the rating is only good for the first two hours and 15 minutes. The remaining 60 minutes, with the hitting of the iceberg, subsequent busting in half of the ship, people falling 50 feet onto railings or the ship's propellers, and freezing in the ocean was the saving grace of the movie.

Great action. Lots better than the cardboard characters and their even stiffer romance the director sub-

jected us to for the first couple of hours.

Of course maybe the reason I had to fight to stay awake was the showing time: we tried to get into the 8 o'clock show (sold out) and settled for the 10 o'clock show.

Folks, 10 o'clock is about 15 minutes past my bedtime. At 9:30 p.m., the internal clock starts shutting down systems in preparation for a restful night's slumber. I could have stayed more alert had there been gratuitous sex and violence, like in a James Bond movie or one of those cop-buddy films (never underestimate the American male's taste for American cinematic trash).

Too bad *Godzilla 1998* hasn't been released yet. Thinking about it, why do gals like lighthearted comedies and romantic stuff? Why do gals like to go to the movies or out dancing for dates? What's wrong with going on a fishing date, gun show, tractor-pull or something fun? (If I had the answers to those and more questions I'd still be married.)

Needless to say, at 1:30 in the morning I dropped off the date at her home and haven't seen her since.

As the French say, "such is life."

A look back

15 YEARS AGO (1983)

Last summer's cleanup campaign that left Independence Township sites clogged with garbage and a bill over \$16,000 will never happen again, says the township board, as it readies for another township-wide cleanup. Instead of 10 targeted sites, there'll be one site policed on a 24-hour basis. Residents will also be required to show proof that they live in Independence.

A \$35,000 insurance policy is not expected to cover the loss of a 90-year-old Pine Knob Rd. farmhouse that burned to the ground during the early morning hours of March 3, says Capt. Dale Bailey of the Independence Township Fire Department. A fieldstone foundation is all that remains from the blaze that took two hours to fight.

With temperatures climbing toward 60 degrees, the Clarkston boys' ski team finishes fourth in the state finals at Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville. Among the highlights: Andy Balzarini skis to a fifth-place finish in the giant slalom and Craig McLeod finishes tenth in the slalom.

25 YEARS AGO (1973)

A Farmington developer will have to pay for an environmental impact study if he wants site plan approval for the construction of 270 apartments on 43 acres at the north end of Deer Lake. Developer Hubert Garner proposes one- and two-bedroom apartments and 540 parking spaces, some of them set into a ridge in the area and the rest back-to-back near I-75. Planner Larry Burkhart proposes the study, saying the development could have a big effect on "the life and usability of Deer Lake."

B.L. Ball, a Sashabaw resident, sinks through the ice of Whipple Lake while ice fishing last Tuesday. He manages to hang onto the edge for about a half hour until a dozen firemen from the Independence Township Fire Department arrive. Using ladders, ropes and boats, they manage to pull him from the icy water.

The Clarkston Flyers earn a win on the road, and suffer a loss at home, in weekend hockey action in the Southeast Michigan Hockey Association. They defeat the Detroit Javelins 4-3 in foggy St. Clair Shores. On

Sunday, they return to Lakeland Arena, but are defeated by league-leading Southfield.

50 YEARS AGO (1948)

A large crowd enjoys seeing members of the Junior Class of Clarkston High School perform in the three-act play, "Who Wouldn't Be Crazy." From the first curtain until the very last minute, the audience enjoys one laugh after another. The play is a little out of the ordinary with the setting in a courtyard of a sanitarium.

Playing at the Drayton Theatre are Joan Leslie and Louis Hayward in "Repeat Performance," Nelson Eddy and Diana Massey in "Northwest Outpost," Ida Lupino and Dane Clark in "Deep Valley" and Shirley Temple and Ronald Reagan in "That Hagen Girl."

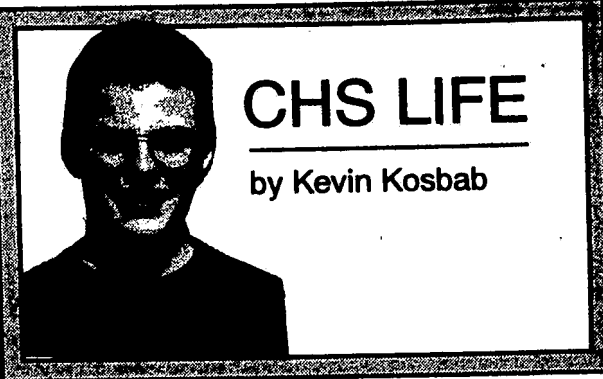
Easter bargains at the new and larger Drayton 5 cents to \$1 store, with plenty of parking space, include dress trousers, \$6.59 per pair; Sylvia Brassieres, \$1.35 each; Rose Petal Slips, guaranteed for one year, \$3.19 each; men's white dress shirts, \$3.25 each; ladies' cardigan sweaters, \$3.89 each; and dress gloves and nylons for those finishing touches.

60 YEARS AGO (1938)

The American Legion, which has been working for the past three weeks to organize a Boy Scout troop, is happy to announce that Mr. Clifford Bennett of Pine Knob Farm has been named Scoutmaster. All boys who are eligible are invited to register at the Legion Hall on N. Main St. if they are accompanied by their parents.

Specials at Rudy's include leg of real lamb, 19 cents a pound; Michigan pears or peaches in heavy syrup, two large cans for a quarter; Pet Milk, three cans for 20 cents; apple butter, 38 ounces for 15 cents; and Tender Leaf Tea, 7 ounces black, 29 cents, and 7 ounces green, 27 cents.

Featured at the Holly Theatre, "The Friendly Playhouse," are William Powell and Annabella in "The Baroness and The Butler," Martha Raye, W.C. Fields and Dorothy Lamour in "The Big Broadcast of 1938" and Robert Taylor and Eleanor Powell in "Broadway Melody of 1938."



CHS LIFE

by Kevin Kosbab

I'm not sure what to root for

God's work and homework are constantly fighting a battle at my house, and it's coming to a head. Every other Sunday, I have Confirmation classes at Calvary Lutheran Church. That means that my whole day is taken up until three o'clock. This is fine on a weekend in which my teachers have been merciful when assigning homework. However, teachers, especially my science teacher, would laugh at the notion of being called merciful, even if I am only referring to the occasional occurrence. Anyway, when they give little homework, I can get it done on Saturday. But even the smallest amount can become a seething, ravaging monster when my family decides to take a fun little jaunt.

This happened this weekend, as it often does. Mr. Science, looking to control our lives beyond the normal class period he has us in his clutches for each day, threw a fairly large assignment at us for Monday. I had no problem with this, aside from the typical homework-is-evil attitude, and sat down to work my way through it Saturday afternoon. I had written no more than the title before my mother announced that we would be taking one of our sporadic outings to a tacky restaurant near Flint--never mind that it was 4 p.m. and I had blown off the early part of the day. I was annoyed at the time it would take, but I couldn't help salivating for the cinnamon rolls that I would soon devour.

That took a good chunk out of the day, and by the time we got back, I could only work on my science project for an hour or two. This left only Sunday after Confirmation to do my homework.

Since 3:30 this afternoon, I have been combing my encyclopedia for minute biological information. I am finally done (I hope) and have about an hour to write this column. I write it every other week and have Confirmation every other week. Unfortunately, they usually end up coinciding. I like writing the columns, but it takes time. Just when I think I'm saved by Sarah Butzine sending her column from Germany and bumping me back a week, Confirmation reschedules and I'm back in the Confirmation-and-column-together weekends.

When I have a weekend without Confirmation, I still have no extra time, because I'm often off on some retreat with my church group. Last weekend, we stayed in a hotel in Troy until midafternoon on Sunday, and I had another thrilling science project to do once I got back.

I don't mean to sound like I don't like hanging out with my friends, most of whom go to my church. We had great fun roughing it in the suites at the Doubletree, going to a movie, shopping at Somerset, and dining at Kyoto. Even learning about the church stuff isn't too bad. I just feel like God's work and homework are engaged in a wrestling match and, try as I might, I can't get out of the ring before getting in the way.

Letter to the editor

CLASP says thanks

Clarkston Association of Support Personnel (CLASP) would like to thank these Clarkston Stores for their help and support of our food drive for Lighthouse: Clarkston, Kroger, Food Town, and Rudy's Market.

Donna Jones
CLASP



SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

by Al Roberts, Ed. D.

Harris Publishing To Do CHS Alumni Directory

If you're a graduate of Clarkston High School, don't be surprised to receive a telephone call in the next few months from Harris Publishing. They will be contacting thousands of Clarkston alumni in order to update our computer database of over 16,000 people, beginning with the first graduating class of 1901. Of course, schools in the community were well established before that year, but the officially required course of study was not changed to 12 years until 1898. Thus, our first high school graduates are considered to be the Class of 1901.

The CHS Alumni Directory will be a reference book for those who wish to find old friends. It will include 10 pages of Clarkston High School history and pictures and will be a great tool for class reunion committees when they plan events for their classes. One section of the book will list our graduates by year of graduation and another section will cross-reference graduates alphabetically by last name and maiden name.

Most importantly, collecting and updating this enormous number of people will be an invaluable tool as we continue to assess the strengths and weaknesses of our high school curriculum. When the data is current, we'll have a tool that will facilitate a survey of graduates enabling the district to know how well CHS students have been prepared for post-graduate studies or the world of work. We will have a greater ability to find out what specific career paths our youngsters have chosen, which school courses were most valuable to

them, and which of our many extracurricular experiences may have contributed to their lives or careers.

Additionally, we will be inviting our graduates to help pass the torch as we open a new high school this fall. Our grand opening ceremonies are being planned during Homecoming weekend, October 9 and 10. Although every brick in the building will be brand-new, the Clarkston legacy will be moving along with the student body. The tile mosaics from the old high school will be reinstalled in the new school, the stone marker that accents the driveway will be transported; and 30 years of class composite photographs dating back to 1924 will furnish the new building. On October 10, a schedule of alumni tours of the new building will be offered to those grads who are in town for Homecoming events as well as those who live nearby.

An enthusiastic spirit has always been evident at Clarkston High School from our historic roots in the 19th century, into the rapid expansion of the 1950's and 60's, and poised now for an exceptional step into the year 2000. Now—as in the past—CHS is the "home away from home" for a talented and lively student body. Over the years our faculty and staff have cared deeply about their students and have challenged them to see beyond the limits of the own imaginations.

We know our alumni have taken the skills they learned at Clarkston High School and used them in countless careers and lifestyles to make a clear and definite mark in the "real world."

Obituaries

Shirley Ball

Shirley I. Ball, 67, of Dryden, died March 4, 1998. Mrs. Ball was retired from AC Spark Plug in Flint.

She is survived by sons Dennis (Kathy) of Dryden and Clifton Kilpatrick of Florida; grandchildren Matthew (Stephanie), Denny, Andrea, Steven, and Buck; seven great-grandchildren; brothers Jerry (Adell) Powell and Larry (Lois) Powell; and a sister, Ruby (Jack) Lawrence. She was preceded in death by her husband Martin, a sister, Betty Olsen, and a brother, Marion Powell.

A funeral service took place Saturday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials can be made to the McLaren Hospice.

Edwin Barnhart

Edwin C. Barnhart, 89, of Clarkston, died March 2, 1998.

Mr. Barnhart was retired from Pontiac Motors and was a Sunday School Superintendent.

He is survived by sons Marv (Carol) and Dave (Gayle) of Clarkston; daughter Jeanne; grandchildren Michele, Susan and Buzz; great-grandchildren Tom, David and Carrie; many brothers and sisters, and he was the Great Papa of Chad. He was preceded in death by his wife Marvel.

A funeral service took place Friday at St. Trinity Lutheran Church in Clarkston with Rev. Klafehn officiating. Interment was at White Chapel Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials can be made to the Association for Retarded Persons in Troy.

Thomas Glenn

Thomas E. Glenn, 60, of Waterford, died March 7, 1998.

Mr. Glenn was a member of Clarkston Creek Golf League and was a vice-president of First of America Bank.

He is survived by his wife Nancy; daughters Jodi (fiance Jeff White) Ragatz of Lake Orion and Wendy (James) Boskee of Lapeer; son Mark (Maria) of Waterford; grandchildren Tim, Jeremy, Marc, Matt, Mike, Mitch, Melanie, Eric and Kara; and mother-in-law Cleo Reid of Three Oaks.

A funeral service took place Tuesday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials can be made to Kolo Charities Courage House in Lake Orion.

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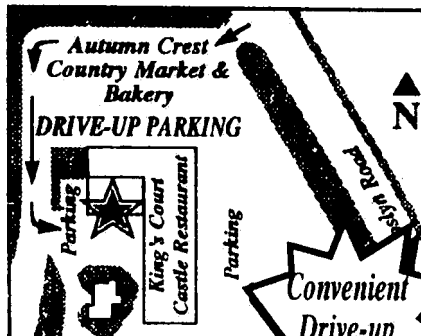
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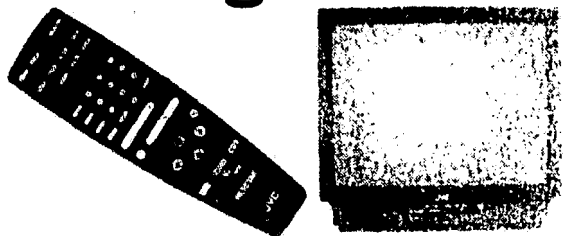
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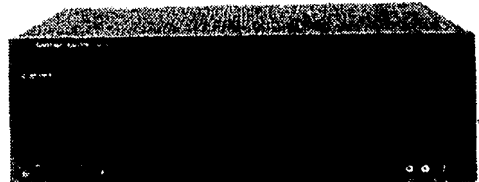
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BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When Marquis Harris steps into the Clarkston Village Bakeshop he finds coffee AND conversation. Not only with the "breakfast club" that congregates around ten, but with its cheerful owners, Eric and Stephanie Vo.



Eric and Stephanie Vo are the friendly proprietors of Clarkston Village Bakeshop — a place where everybody knows your name.

In fact, when Stephanie spots him walking across the street, she's already got his every-day order waiting — a cup of coffee and a raisin scone.

That's why he doesn't make a pit stop anywhere else. The bake shop offers something other places don't.

"Certainly their coffee is good and their baked goods are good," Harris muses. "But, I tell them, 'You have the gift of hospitality.' They know how to include a friendly, inviting atmosphere.

"Because of that, they help to integrate the people who come in here, into a way where they feel free to sit down and share with each other," he adds with a smile, his hands cupped around a mug of steaming brew.

Despite an exodus of some of Clarkston's beloved long-time downtown businesses, places like the bake shop continue to thrive. What's their secret?

There are, of course, a variety of reasons that sometimes prevent folks from making it: high rent, retirement, the need to expand.

But those who are firmly anchored in the downtown business district say, if you want to survive, you have to offer your customers something special — whether it be the goods you provide or that extra effort that gets them through the doors.

In the second part of a three-part series on the business climate in downtown Clarkston, some business owners talk about what it takes to succeed in town today.

Clarkston Village Bakeshop

Anyone who's a regular at the bake shop knows petite Stephanie Vo, the smiling face behind the counter.

Or they know her employees, whom Stephanie and Eric make sure they train well enough to cover the store when they're gone.

"You have to know how to pick the right person to be good to customers," says Stephanie, standing beside her husband, the baker in the family.

The couple bought the 10 S. Main business nearly four years ago from former owner Susan Montgomery. It has been in downtown Clarkston for 28 years.

The Vos operate it seven days a week. Eric gets the donuts ready at night, and arrives every morning to bake fresh doughnuts, muffins, bagels and scones before the shop opens at 5 a.m. The busiest time is 7-8 a.m. weekdays, when people stop by on their way to work. Eric continues to bake batches through the morning to keep the goods fresh and the shelves filled.

"There is really no secret," says Stephanie of their success. "But one key to making a business succeed is working hard. My husband puts in a lot of hard work. You can't sit around and expect things to happen."

The couple alternate their business hours with raising two children. That's not easy, admits Stephanie. But "It's a living," adds Eric.

They greet and treat their customers with warmth, and their customers reciprocate. The late Jim Bickford,

'I know most of
who walk through
try to run it like
business, no
to the

Shirley W

Much of the real estate in downtown Clarkston's commercial district is occupied by the operator of a business in the building, meaning there are very few absentee landlords.

Listed here are the property owners of each building in the commercial district, the current use of the building, and whether it is owner-occupied or a rental.

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--By Annette Kingsbury

Not pictured:

- 6 N. Main
Clarkston Travel/Neen Cleaners
rental retail
owner: Linda Kopietz
- 11 N. Main
Kostin & Kostin law offices
rental offices
owner: Harry Radcliff Jr.
- 21 N. Main

- Main St. Antiques
owner-occupied retail
- 31 S. Main
rental offices
owner: Lehman Investments
- 32 S. Main
Prudential Realty
owner-occupied offices
- 39 S. Main
rental offices
owner: Lehman Investments

2 S. Main
Olde Village Cafe
owner-occupied

4 S. Main
Art + Sol, rented retail.
Owner: Margaret McKenny Trust

10 S. Main
Village Bakeshop, rented retail
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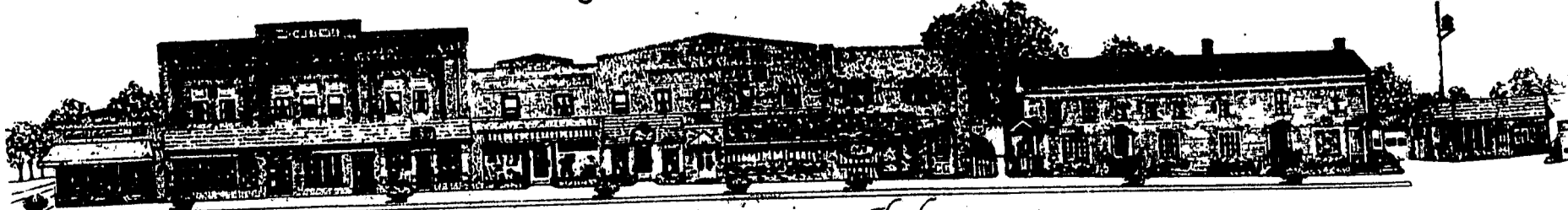
12 S. Main
Coaches Corner
owner-occupied retail

18 S. Main
Clarkston Cafe
owner-occupied restaurant

20 S. Main
Republic Bank
rental office/retail

24-26 S. Main
Dr. Stevenson's office
owner-occupied

28 S. Main
Morgan's Service
owner-occupied



Main Street - Clarkston

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For example, would often repair furniture, and, if they're busy, "they clean the tables for us," says Stephanie with a laugh.

Like good bartenders, the Vos listen to more than conversation. Often, a customer will share a problem or two and even ask for advice. "Sometimes they talk and you give them some thoughts," says Stephanie.

The bake shop is like a second home for some like Harris, whose coffee cup sits on a shelf with those belonging to other regulars.

Eric is thinking of ordering a few dozen to personalize.

"We wash the cup for them," says Stephanie. "You get to know whose cup is whose."

Creekside Salon

Having grown up in Clarkston, Lisa Burdick has seen lots of changes. When she started as a stylist at

Elston's Hair Studio in 1981, she remembers the Clarkston Mills Mall being full of retail.

She saw a succession of restaurants in the mall, including Foxy's and The Cookery, come and go. Elston's, housed on the southwest corner of Main and Depot, was part of an "emporium" that also contained a candy store, a general store, a quilting shop, a florist, and other retailers.

Though she lived only a couple of miles away, Burdick thought of quaint, little Clarkston as "rural ...

I don't think the area had developed at that point to support the unique stores. Then the office companies moved in ...

"Now we get all this development and no retail. The people are here and we're full of real estate offices. I'd say you put the cart before the horse here," she laughs.

However, the loss of retail hasn't hurt Elston's, renamed "Creekside Salon" after Burdick bought the 31 S. Main business last summer from former owner Laurie Kohlhorst. An avid flyfisher, she renamed it for her love of the sport and the fact that there's a creek out back in Depot Park — not to mention nearby Mill Pond. "If I couldn't be creekside at the water, I said one way or another I'd be at creekside," she laughs.

The salon continues to be a success, partly because "we get the old Clarkstonians who've been here forever, and then we've had people who've moved out and come back." Referrals are also a big factor, she adds.

She feels the location isn't as important to her business as it is to others. Customers find the salon — even though the entrance is at the back of the building and the salon is below at ground level.

"I've done an ad as 'The salon beneath the streets of Clarkston,'" she quips. "But people need to see our work; they don't need to see a storefront. If you see someone with a great haircut at the grocery store, that's how you see our work."

The Clarkston Cafe

Through the years, the Clarkston Cafe has seen a

number of chefs and owners. But those who dine there knows some things never change — like the mouth-watering lake perch and raspberry pie.

Sign of the Beefcarver Inc. bought the 70-year-old Main St. building and the business in June 1994. Before the current structure was built, a row of wooden buildings lined that space. They burned around 1926 or

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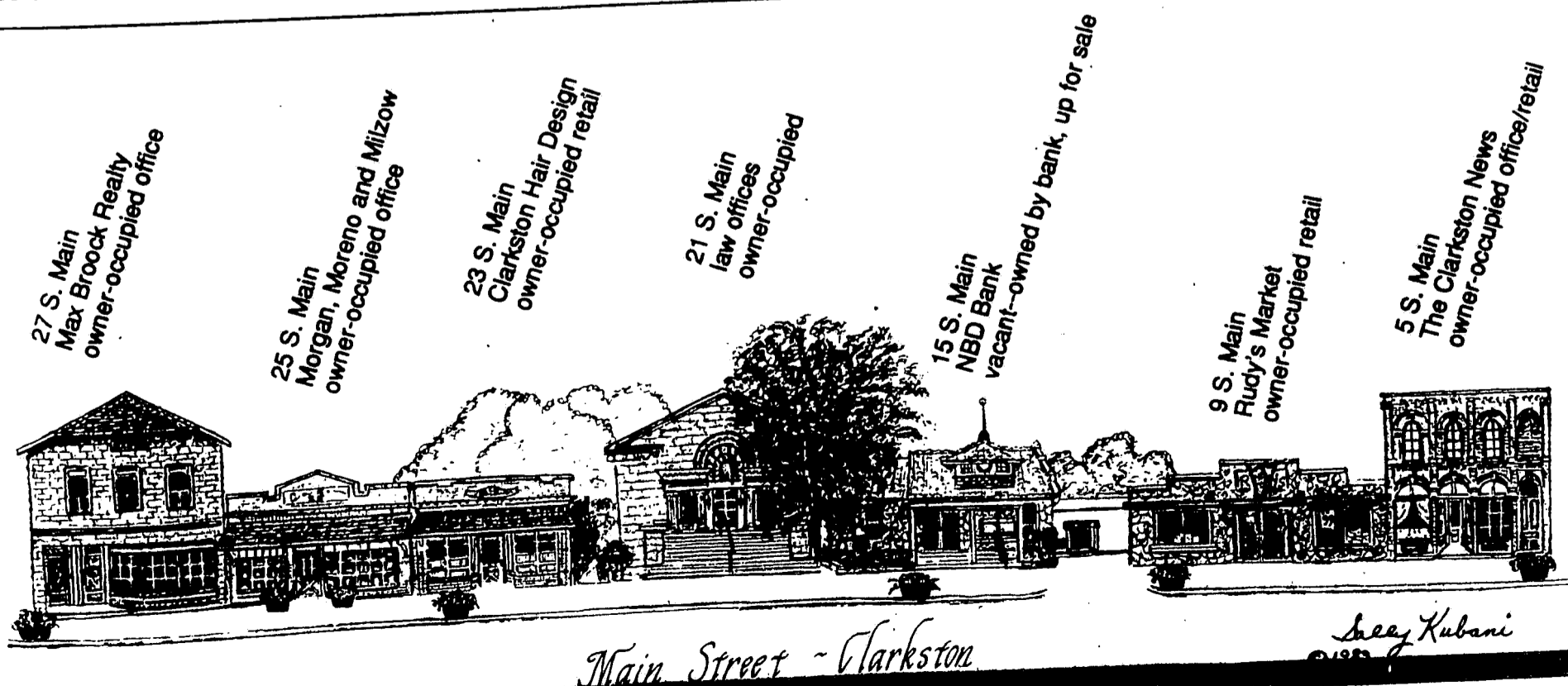
Daisy Dowling, owner of Clarkston Country Store & Main Street Antiques, says know-how and good service are two secrets to her business's success.

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- 49 S. Main
Clarkston Conservatory
owner-occupied
- 50 S. Main
Union General
rental retail
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- 55 S. Main
Dr. Gary Ushman's office
owner-occupied
- 59 S. Main

- Clarkston Union
rental restaurant
owners: Clarence and Sharron Catalo
- 60 S. Main
Kinetic Systems
owner-occupied retail
- 64 S. Main
Tierra Arts & Design
owner-occupied retail
- 69 S. Main
Sutherland House

- rental apartments
- 2 E. Washington
vacant retail
owner: Linda Kopietz
- 6 E. Church
The Parsonage and Country Woodshed
owner-occupied retail
- 20 W. Washington
Clarkston Mills Mall
rental office/retail
owner: Lehman Investments



27 S. Main
Max Brock Realty
owner-occupied office

25 S. Main
Morgan, Moreno and Mizow
owner-occupied office

23 S. Main
Clarkston Hair Design
owner-occupied retail

21 S. Main
law offices
owner-occupied

15 S. Main
NBD Bank
vacant—owned by bank, up for sale

9 S. Main
Rudy's Market
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5 S. Main
The Clarkston News
owner-occupied office/retail

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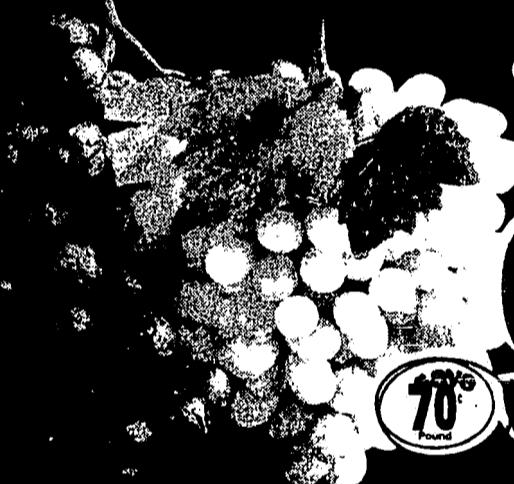
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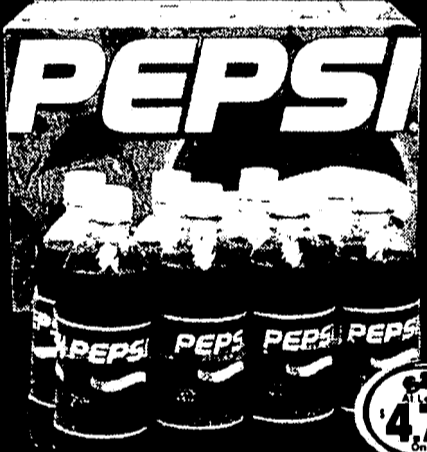
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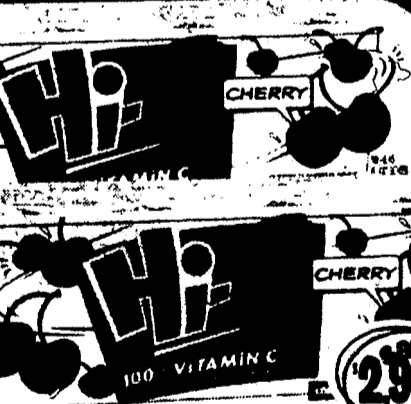


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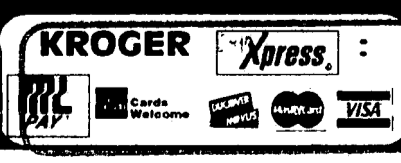
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Businesses who've made it share their secrets

From page 11A

'27, says cafe general manager Carroll Harris, who's been an Independence Township resident for nearly 19 years. The brick structure that houses the cafe and Coach's Corner was built in 1928.

Like others, Harris notes the changes. "I remember when I used to walk up here and just go in the stores. ... Some of the biggest comments I get from ladies at lunch are 'What happened to the stores? I called my friends and said we're going to Clarkston to do some shopping and have lunch.' I say, 'Well, you can still have lunch,'" she chuckles.

However, the loss of some viable retail and service uses doesn't impact the cafe significantly, she adds. "It's different with a restaurant. Realtors come in; they bring their clients in. It would be nice to have the mix. But retailers support us. They recommend us to their new customers."

The cafe enhances business with some extras, like entertainment every Friday and Saturday night and a big breakfast buffet Sundays.

Years ago the cafe started out as just the one room that's currently the bar, adds Harris. It's acquired more

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Daisy Dowling, Clarkston Country Store

space through the years. "Part of the cafe contained a pool hall, the 'den of iniquity' the ministers talked about," she says.

"I think there's a lot of sentiment attached to the building, a lot of memories for people. Lots celebrate their birthdays, their anniversaries here."

Harris points to the gold Clarkston Cafe sign that hangs above the fireplace in one cozy room. It was salvaged from an old window when Beefcarver undertook an intense remodeling job.

Noting nearby competition, Harris says it actually helps. "You might go to the cafe for dinner, to the Union for a beer, then for dessert at Mesquite Creek. It seems to bring more business in." But "the uniqueness of the food" is the selling point, says Harris.

All the above reasons are part of the cafe's success. Plus, it pays to be the landlords. "We own the building — so we can't move," she quips.

Clarkston Country Store

Daisy Dowling sits in a comfortable chair overlooking the Mill Pond. From another window she can see down Main St.

"I like it very much. I can see all the parades, a beautiful view," she says with a smile. When she first moved here 27 years ago, there was a drug store, a bank, a post office. "Everything was within walking distance."

Surrounded by lovely antiques, Dowling explains that she's a little housebound right now, with some physical problems. Although she'll be 90 this April, she can't wait to get back to work.

In their store her daughter Gini Schultz waits on customers, selling them everything from antiques, to paintings by renowned local wildlife artist Russell Cobane, to angels in all shapes and sizes — a Dowling favorite.

Angels are one of the things she likes best about Clarkston. "What I like is the people are so friendly. There are so many angels in Clarkston, I had to thank my angels at Christmastime," she says, producing a copy of the holiday letter she sent out.

Dowling has been in the antique business for 35 years, starting out in Bloomfield Hills, then moving to Troy and finally Clarkston. She has background in decorating as well.

When her children moved to Clarkston, they wanted her to join them. In 1971 they bought the

building at 21 N. Main, which used to be a "cooperage" or barrelmaker's shop in the 1860s.

It came with a wealth of history. Ironically, the Schultzes found the cooper was a relative — Wiltsie Vliet. "He kept a cow in the back and the hay upstairs in the hay mow. The back door still swings out," says Gini Schultz. Later it was owned by Jean McGee, who ran the old Green Acres inn. The building had been an antique and gift shop for 40 years before the Schultzes bought it.

Dowling says she made the right decision to move. "I lived in Birmingham and I like this place better. I like the small-town idea, I think." A native Vermonter, she also notes Clarkston's New England feel.

The business is a success story because it offers more than just antiques, says Dowling. It also provides appraisal services, handles estate sales, and designs unique lampshades.

You also have to have some business know-how, says Dowling, adding that some former downtown antique stores went under because they didn't replenish their stock. "You have to keep the store filled up. We believe in selling out of a full cart, not an empty cart."

And new business owners don't always consider all the extras, she adds. "They just don't think far enough ahead. You pay insurance, taxes, your heat, your people. You can't just walk in and walk out."

Treating customers well is also important, Dowling says. Many of them come from other areas, including out of state, so the business isn't affected as much by local patronage.

But, Dowling adds, it would be nice to have more retail. "I think it's too bad there's so many real estate and other offices." In the past there were "wonderful women's clothing stores, hardware stores." She'd like to see a framing shop and "a tea room would be nice."

A good name hasn't hurt business either. "Daisy Dowling ... That kind of sounds like I came out of the back line of a chorus," she chuckles. "But it has been a wonderful name for business."

The Parsonage

It's said people come from all over to buy flower arrangements at The Parsonage. But the shop, located in a charming old structure at 6 E. Church St., offers many other items — gifts, folk art, replicas, even a decorating service.

Originally housed in a real former Main St. parsonage that now holds the Union General, Shirley Wilson's move, just around the corner, has turned out to be fruitful. A close friend, Dianne Bildstein, now shares floor space with her own business, The Country Woodshed.

Wilson has planted her stake firmly in the downtown business district. A native, she says, "I love this town. I've been here my whole life." But she points to the decline in shopping.

"I remember what it was and I see where it is now ... There were days you could look across the street and never see a car, but there were always people on the sidewalk."

Despite the changes, Wilson feels her business continues to thrive, partly because of the personal service. "I know most of the people who walk through the door. I try to run it like a small-town business, not like going to the mall." There's no parking problem either, she adds. "I'm lucky because I have my own parking lot."

Because of her location, she'd like to see a couple more retail stores on Church, which would add to her business's success. "I think we have to incorporate the side streets. And I'd love to get a couple of commercial uses next door."

She's visited other small towns that have larger shopping districts. "You know, you can make a whole day of it," she muses.

A member of city council's subcommittee on revitalization, Wilson says she agrees Clarkston should hire a professional planner. The downtown "could be a real eye-stopper. It needs a facelift."

Of the \$25,000 quoted for a full-blown program offered by national planning firm Hyett-Palma, Wilson

agrees "it is a ton of money. But what have we done? We've been talking about revitalization for so long. We need to hear from an unconcerned person to come in and

'They know how to include a friendly, inviting atmosphere.'

Customer Marquis Harris of the Clarkston Village Bakeshop

give us his views.

"If we could get a dollar from everyone in the township, this could be paid for," she adds.

"Yes, I think it is a good idea. It's feasible. but we're not going to get anywhere until we get started ... It's feasible without ruining the town. I'm not talking about skyscrapers."

If you ask folks about the bigger picture of what it takes to succeed as a new business in Clarkston, you get a variety of answers.

Harris feels it's a combination of what people need and offering some unique stores. "My biggest complaint is customers tell me you can't find a Band-Aid down here when you need one. People either need that kind of place or something very unique that you can't get at your local mall."

Shirley Wilson agrees. "We all miss the drug store. But you can't have a drug store without a druggist."

Wilson feels if you have a good product, it will sell. But not without effort and attitude. For example, "I'm not coming in here to sell you just a deli sandwich. It has to be the best deli sandwich." And, "You can have the best product in town. But if you're not friendly ..."

Her business succeeds because she loves what she does. That's contagious. "It fulfills me. And I think that's why people like coming in here." She sighs. "I just work my buns off and try to do a great job."

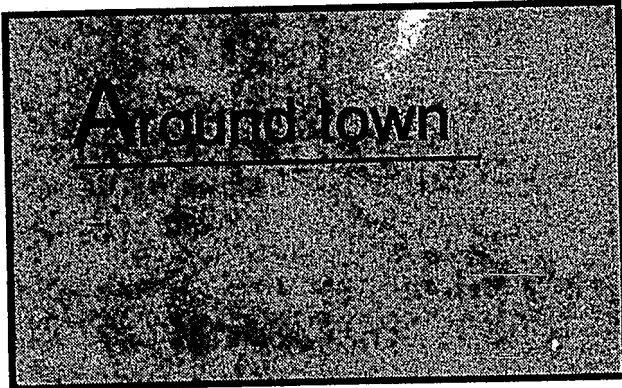
Next: Experts tell what makes a downtown thrive, and what some other small towns are doing.

Corrections

● In last week's article, the first of the "Our Town" series, a mistake was made in the mention of the "Addis" building on the southeast corner of Main and Washington. The quote said the building began as "an ice cream and candy shop during the Depression." IT should have said the shop began in the 1920s. The next two sentences should have read "It was also a real estate office, a successful kitchen wares shop and a restaurant, now the Olde Village Cafe. If you look at the building "you can still see the Addis name at the top."



Former Major League Baseball star Kirk Gibson, left, signs a bat for Tim Birtsas, president of the Davisburg Rotary Club. The bat will join several other pieces of sports memorabilia up for auction at the Davisburg Rotary Club auction Saturday at Springfield Oaks in Davisburg.



● The Clarkston Eagles will host a St. Patrick's Day party March 17, starting at 4 p.m. The menu will include corned beef and cabbage and sloppy joes and there will be entertainment and raffles. Proceeds go to the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund.

● Oakland Family Services will hold its sixth annual Parenting Expo and Fun Fair Friday, March 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. More than 80 exhibitors will provide information about resources available to help parents and children. A children's art exhibit will be displayed as well.

● Fight the late winter blahs with two special programs for adults sponsored by Independence Township Library. Call 625-2212 to register for either program.

● Greater Oakland Mothers of Multiples will hold its annual spring children's clothing, equipment and toy sale Saturday, March 14, 1:30-4 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, located at the southeast corner of Woodward and 11 Mile in Royal Oak. Admission is \$1. No strollers please but bring a laundry basket for shopping.

● CHADD of the Oxford Area (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder) will meet Tuesday, March 10, 7-9 p.m. at the Oxford Public Library, 530 Pontiac St. for a support group discussion. Anyone interested in learning about ADD is welcome. Call 391-0113 for more information.

● Genesys Health System in Grand Blanc will offer the American Heart Association's Heartsaver course on Wednesday, March 18, 6-10 p.m. Learn CPR and what to do when someone is choking. Cost is \$20; register by calling 810-606-6250.

● The Strengthening the Family series continues March 18 with "Strengthening your Adolescent Girl" by Vicki Yelletz, LLP. The series is presented at the Independence Township Library Wednesdays at 7 p.m. by Wise Mothers, Youth Assistance and the Task Force for Youth.

● The March 19 edition of the Brown Bag Lecture Series will present Aleksandr Chernyak on "Through Russia with Music." Lectures are held at noon in the Oakland County Information Technology Building, 1200 North Telegraph Rd. Call 858-0415 for more information.

● The 1998 Oakland County Parks Photo Exhibit will run March 17-April 17 in the Oakland County Galleria, located inside the Executive Office Building, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd. Hours are Monday-Friday, 9-5. Call 858-0415 for more information.

● The annual branch meeting of the Pontiac-Waterford Area Branch of American Association of University Women will be held Tuesday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wisner home carriage house, 405 Oakland Ave., Pontiac. The meeting will be followed by a tour of the Wisner home. Call Kitty at 852-9073 or Susan at 625-9467 for more information.

● The Clarkston Community Women's Club will meet March 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library for a program called "You Don't Have to be Sick" by Nancy Rigsby. Rigsby will focus on better eating through fruits and vegetables. Call Gail at 623-9462 or 335-6986 for more information.

● Young adults ages 20-40 facing cancer, treatment and recovery are invited to a support group at the Karmanos Cancer Institute's Lathrup Village office, located at 18831 W. 12 Mile (west of Southfield Rd.). The group meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. and refreshments are served. For more information call 810-294-4432.

● The 80th annual Builders Home and Detroit Flower Show returns to Cobo Hall March 12-15. Among the attractions will be Steve Thomas, host of the PBS series "This Old House," Jerry Baker, America's master gardener, and Gary Koller, host of PBS's "Victory Garden." Tickets are \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors, \$4 for kids 6-12. Discount tickets are available at Farmer Jack, Home Depot, Target and Hudson's and in your Detroit Edison bill. For more information call 248-737-4478 or visit www.builders.org.

● The Chenille Sisters will perform a benefit concert at Oakland University's Vamer Hall Saturday, March 14 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for students, \$25 general admission, \$35 patron and \$50 benefactor. Call 651-2316 for more information.

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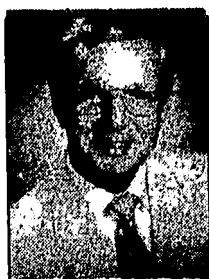


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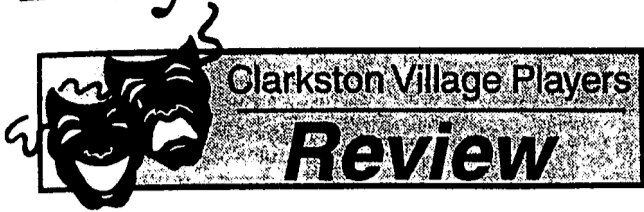
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Players' new mystery is mirthful whodunit



BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Ever cross that fine line between reality and fantasy? Sure you have, every time you bury yourself in a good book.

But the latest production by Clarkston Village Players proves "An Act of Imagination" can sometimes go too far.

This nifty British mystery, with more than a dash of comedy stirred through its plot, takes the audience on a long, strange trip with many twists and turns. Just when you think you've solved the case, you're off again.

At the heart of this head-scratching story-within-a-story is Arthur Putnam, a stuffy, scruffy author, deftly played by Dale Dobson. As sort of the absent-minded professor type, he's balanced nicely by Susan Craves, who is all elegance and composure as his stunning wife Julia.

Famed for his past literary works, Arthur's latest novel, "Signs of Life," may be a little too live for comfort in the really-happened zone, even though Julia, his step-son and his editor believe Arthur to be an honorable man. The novel's main character has had an affair, and when a mystery woman suddenly appears at the Putnam home, her tale parallels the story line as she tells of a tryst with Arthur.



Left to right, Nancy Penvose as "the mystery woman," Dale Dobson as Arthur and Susan Craves as Julia enact a scene.

And that's just the beginning. More chapters unfold after the woman disappears — and Arthur's held responsible for her flight.

The Players have to be credited for their attempts to master the English accent. Dobson's is the most convincing, as is his portrayal of the muddled but loveable Arthur. Anyone who saw him in "Twelve Angry Men" this season will recognize Dobson as a fairly young man.

But, as Arthur, he is truly aged beyond recognition — and brilliant — as he embodies the character as a graying, bent-over eccentric with patched sleeves.

Between pipe puffs, Dobson delivers some of the best lines, as when his stepson (Scott Rudd) hits him up for money for yet another entrepreneurial venture. "He's just trying to find himself," explains Julia, compassionately. "Damn near expensive search," scoffs Arthur, then adding, "Do you think he's turned funny? What do they call it these days? Happy?"

Note to parents: That's about as strong as it gets, for those who want to know about content. Opinion: It's OK to bring the kids.

The set has a three-dimensional feel, with a peek at the back into an open hall where, at one point, Arthur bounds up the staircase, and a window which Rudd suddenly opens from the outside to flirt with the editor while she's sitting at a table.

Also effective was the storm that played in the background opening night, which added to the sometimes murky mystery. But then, you never know ... It could have been the real live El Nino or just Memorex.

"An Act of Imagination" continues its run March 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21 at the Depot Theatre on White Lake Rd. in Clarkston. Call (248) 625-8811 for more information.



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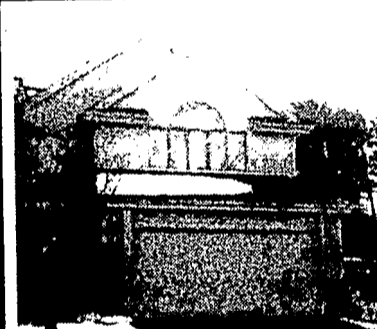
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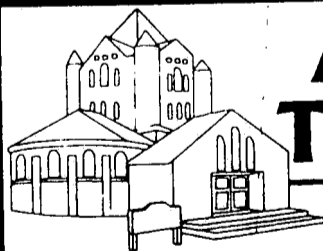
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Young chef will be cookin' at national contest

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When it comes to creating great cuisine, more than soup's on with Jeremy Houston.

The Clarkston High School student, also a third-year culinary arts student at Oakland Technical Center Northwest, will be flying to Rhode Island March 20 for the ninth annual Johnson & Wales University National High School Recipe Contest as one of 10 finalists chosen from across the country. He will be there from Friday through Sunday, with all expenses paid.

"Just to let you know how competitive it is, there were 450 entrants nationwide," says the soft-spoken senior.

He will have to prepare his original recipe in front of some famous judges including Ronald Messiner, executive pastry chef at the White House since 1980, and Wolfgang Bierer, a certified executive chef and certified master pastry chef.

If he wins, Jeremy will receive a \$20,000 scholarship to the prestigious Johnson & Wales University, the number two culinary arts college in the nation. He plans to attend Charleston, South Carolina campus, regardless if he wins or not, aiming for a bachelor's degree.

The entry he created and submitted, which had to be "a heart-smart type of thing," had to not only taste good, but look good. Jeremy had to provide both the recipe and a picture. He describes his winning masterpiece as a sole roulette with a vegetable mousse, served over a bed of couscous with lemongrass sauce and baby asparagus.

Describing the process of making a roulette, Jeremy says the mousse was placed on the sole, then rolled up. "It was good," he says with a smile.

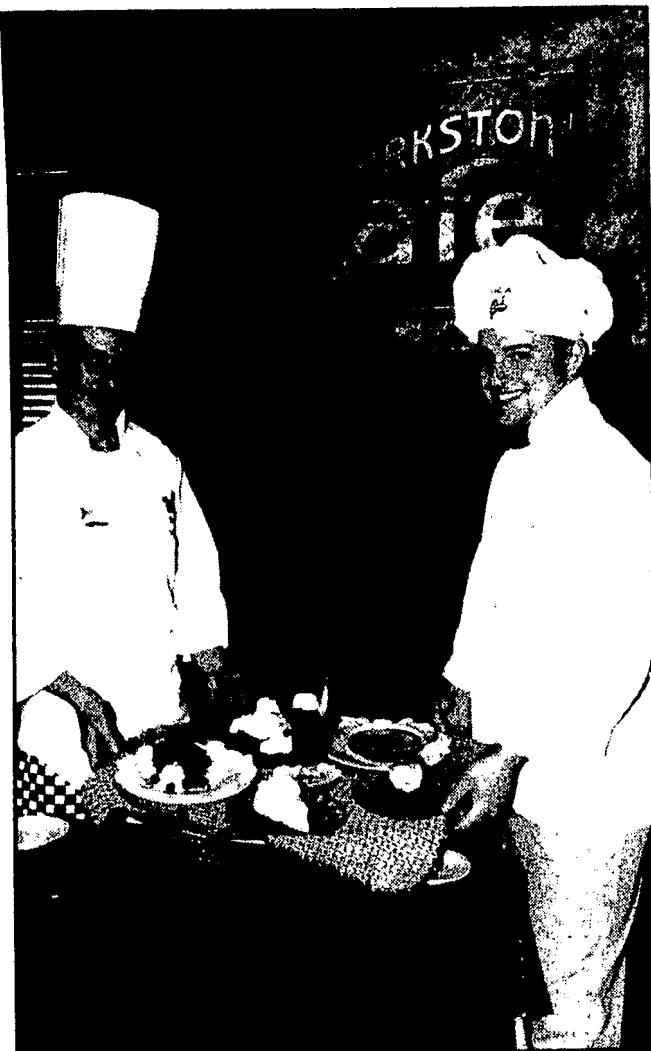
He's been improving his culinary skills at the Clarkston Cafe where he's worked since August, and is enrolled in the Tech Center's school-to-work program. It's definitely a challenge, learning alongside Chef Rob Laveque and others.

"Fridays and Saturdays are extremely busy," he says. "I'm learning a lot from watching the people who've been in the industry. You pick their brain and pick up little things. My teacher (Chef Deb Trudeau at the Tech Center) likes to call me a sponge. I soak up everything and move on."

When he found he was a finalist, Jeremy was able to reach both his father and Trudeau, to share the good news. "I think she dropped the phone," he says of Trudeau.

Jeremy has been in many previous competitions, including last year's VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) Hot Food Competition where he placed third in the state. He recently placed in the top four of this year's regionals and is headed to the state again. In addition, Jeremy has also honed his chef skills at Paint Creek Country Club.

Both Laveque and Cafe manager Carroll Harris



Clarkston Cafe chef Rob Laveque and Jeremy Houston pose with a dessert tray.

are excited for him. "He's doing a great job around here," says Laveque.

"He's just a very accomplished young man," agrees Harris. "I guess we want to brag about him. I guess the Tech Center wants to brag about him too."

Jeremy plans to complete a four-year program at Johnson & Wales. One day he plans to own his own restaurant, but after he graduates his dream would be to be a chef aboard a cruise ship.

"I hope to learn more about the management aspect, the running of the whole business. And I hope to broaden my scope on more than just American-style cooking, but do regional cooking from all over the world."

Currently, he likes to experiment with seafood, chicken and "different sauces. I don't have time to do the elegant."

Like other would-be chefs, Jeremy's training began at home, but he learned the most from his beloved grandmother, who hails from Tennessee and does "the down-home style of cooking." He started practicing at age 10, first in the kitchen; next he tried the grill. By the time he was 13 he was cooking family meals "with a little supervision" and romantic dinners for his parents.

Jeremy decided to join the Tech Center's culinary arts program as a sophomore. He's glad he did. "I've found my calling," he says. But, he adds, "I played varsity football in high school. I think most people don't think that a guy who plays football is going to be a chef."

As with any learning process, he made mistakes. He did the usual, burned roasts and had a disastrous incident with biscuits.

"Instead of using flour I used powdered sugar. They didn't rise at all. It was one of those redo things," he says with a laugh.

But now, "That doesn't happen too often," he adds, while scurrying about at the Cafe, helping Laveque with a dessert tray. "Today, for instance, I made lots of coconut cream pies. I can do it all."

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by Scott Friedman, D.O.

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Local families lost millions in scheme

Civil, criminal indictments handed down in classic 'Ponzi' scheme but victims told to 'forget the money'

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Thomas Lamar has been charged now. By the FBI and by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. But it's too late for 85 of his victims, residents of Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford, Ortonville and Rochester. People who gave him a total of \$2 million to invest, and now have nothing.

Lamar, 69, a resident of Waterford with a winter home in Palmetto, Fla., has been charged with violations of the anti-fraud provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act for allegedly acting as a commodity trading advisor without being registered, for concealing his losses in that trading, and for misappropriating funds he received from his investors.

A five-count civil complaint was filed in U. S. District Court in Detroit Feb. 13, and the next day a seven-count criminal indictment was also filed, alleging money laundering and mail and wire fraud in connection with the same events.

For one local family, which has asked to remain anonymous, the losses total around \$1 million. Three members of that family, residents of Clarkston and Lake Orion, spoke with The Clarkston News on condition that their names not be used. It seems fair to say they're just about as mad at themselves as they are at Lamar.

One member of the family had known Lamar's wife for 40 years, long before the woman married Lamar. "We travelled all over with them. I knew him for about a year," she said. It was after he retired that he went into the commodities business.

"He bought these computers; he said he was tied into Chicago," the victim said. He even had the traders' signature jacket with his name on it, and took the victim and her husband to Chicago to the market. She knows now he never had a license to trade there.

Lamar would drive to Birmingham every day, the victim said, to make trades with a licensed trader there. He would buy the Wall Street Journal every day. He would be on the phone, every morning and every afternoon, to Chicago.

According to the civil complaint, Lamar used his wife's friends as investors. "Most early participants were friends of Lamar or his wife or members of Lamar's extended family," the complaint states. "This



Thomas Lamar and his wife Norma in happier times.

initial group of investors then told other friends or family members about supposed 'profits' Lamar reported to them . . . Lamar also solicited investors from a prostate cancer support group which he attended during his recovery from cancer in the early 1990s."

The complaint alleges that Lamar was actually operating a classic Ponzi scheme, in which money from later investors paid off earlier investors. Those who got out early actually made money. Those who left their money in were surprised one day to find their names on a bankruptcy court notification. They've now been told not to expect to get any money back.

One victim said she was taken in by having known Lamar's wife Norma, and by the appearance that everything was all right in their finances.

"She (Norma) always spent a lot of money," she said. "We didn't see yachts or any of that. They always had nice cars, nice clothes . . . He always acted like he had money but we didn't know about him really."

Now the victims, many of them widows who invested their retirement funds, are left with nothing. One of the women interviewed said she knows about 30 of the victims, many of them members of the Sweet Adelines singing club. "It's uncles, aunts, cousins, in-laws," she said. "Very disgusting. We got monthly statements that we (were earning) 20 percent."

"That's what kept us in there," said another victim. "We're all just thrilled with ourselves."

The whole scheme, which began in March of 1989, began to tumble when one of the investors died and his relatives tried to get his money out of the fund. No one knew how many people were involved until the bankruptcy papers arrived. Some 85 victims are listed there, along with other creditors, bringing the total to over 100 Lamar owes money to, including doctors and credit-card companies.

"We never told anyone to get in on it," one victim said. "Yet they had heard we were in on it and doing well . . . He took money right up to the end. He took money from a Sweet Adeline three weeks before the bankruptcy."

There were a few hints along the way. In October 1995 one of the women interviewed wanted to withdraw the money she had invested so she could buy a house. She was discouraged from doing so and since the purchase offer fell through, she didn't pursue it.

In January of 1996, another of the women interviewed tried to get some money out and Lamar told her he couldn't give it to her because of Mad Cow Disease. That was long before Oprah Winfrey's celebrated court case had made headlines.

"I found it unbelievable but I didn't do anything," the victim said. On paper, her \$90,000 investment was supposed to be worth \$180,000, according to statements Lamar sent her. She even took money from another investment and gave it to him.

"When I retired in 1993 I was going to take money out but I was doing so well. I was making \$3,000 a month according to these statements." Meanwhile, she was driving a 14-year-old car.

A relative lost \$50,000, another \$100,000. In their family, the total invested comes to a million dollars.

"It could have been worse," one victim said. "I thank God I can still work and I didn't give him any more."

"Some have lost homes, some have lost condos," another said. "Some are down to nothing. At least we can still work."

One younger victim said she has been advised to "forget the money. But they (the Lamars) go on living like they always did. I don't understand that." Lamar is free on personal bond, pending his trial which is some months off, according to Jerry Craig of the FBI. No one else is expected to be charged in the case, he added.

The three women interviewed aren't sure whether Lamar intended to defraud them right from the begin-

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Police and fire

MONDAY, MARCH 2, larceny of sunglasses from a 1990 Cavalier parked overnight on Clarkston Rd.

Fire department complaint on Thornhill.
Grass fire on Simler
Injury accident on Maybee.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, three people received minor injuries when a car ran a red light at the intersection of Clarkston and Sashabaw roads. One car ended up in a parking lot, where it knocked down two poles. The driver who ran the light was ticketed.

Non-injury accident on Holcomb at Washington in the city. A Clarkston woman was cited after her car hit a car travelling northbound on Holcomb.

A 22-year-old Rochester man is being investigated for fraud in a scheme which stole over \$20,000 from an Auburn Hills business. The man allegedly stole checks from the business, opened his own bank account under a similar name, deposited the checks and then withdrew cash. He did so at several banks, including one in Clarkston.

A handgun was confiscated at a home on Pine Knob Rd. The owner said he had bought it at a garage sale; however a court order forbid him to possess guns so it was confiscated.

A window was pried on a 1995 Ford pick up parked overnight at the Sashabaw Park and Ride lot. A phone, briefcase, books, planner and boots were stolen.

Domestic assault on Lancaster Hill.

A woman driving on Paramus heard a noise and found her Jeep's mirror smashed and a jelly-like substance on the vehicle.

A 34-year-old Clarkston man said he was hit in the mouth by an acquaintance at a Dixie restaurant, resulting in teeth being chipped.

Medicals on Oak Park and on Mann.

A warning was issued to a contractor burning construction materials on Deerwood and the fire was extinguished.

Injury accidents on Dixie and on Sashabaw.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, harassing phone calls to a child on Valley.

Medical on Sedona.

Fuel spill on Main St.

Carbon monoxide investigation on Parview.

A car was stopped for speeding on Clarkston Rd. near Robertson Ct. in the city. The 30-year-old driver was arrested for drunk driving after a Breathalyzer test revealed a blood alcohol level of .11 (.10 is legally drunk). He later posed bond and is scheduled for arraignment in 52-2 District Court March 17.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, an 18-year-old Clarkston man who said he was having a bad day was yelling and threatening an employee at a Dixie fast-food restaurant.

Theft of a cellular phone from a car parked behind a Washington St. business in the city.

Medical on Waldon Woods; one to St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland.

Hang-up phone calls on Perry Lake Rd.

A 47-year-old Waterford man observed by a deputy yelling at another motorist on Dixie was arrested for drunk driving after flunking a breath test.

A door was forced at a home on Allen and jewelry was taken. The thief may have been scared off by the residents' dogs.

A door was kicked in on Wagoner and two jewelry boxes and \$500 cash were stolen.

A 16-year-old Clarkston High School student was suspended from school and a juvenile petition was filed after he was caught smoking at school. After his apprehension he admitted to having marijuana and turned it over to a deputy.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, an 18-year-old Clarkston man was arrested for drunk driving after he was seen driving erratically on Dixie. The owner of the car, another 18-year-old from Clarkston who was a passenger, was given a ride home.

Four juveniles were ticketed for underage consumption of alcohol after a traffic stop on Maybee. Two of them were also ticketed for having open intoxicants in their car.

A fence on Clintonville Rd. has been cut three times in the last few months.

Someone broke a door wall glass and kicked in a door at a house under construction on Deerhill Dr.

A Cramlane resident reported numerous phone calls with no one answering late at night.

Ninety CDs and their holder were stolen from an unlocked 1987 Sunbird on Snowapple.

Two safes were found alongside Shappie by a UPS driver.

Unidentified fire run at Clarkston Middle School.
Injury accident on Maybee.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, a 21-year-old Oxford woman received minor injuries when she swerved to avoid an oncoming car while driving on Ellis Rd., ran off the road and hit a tree.

A 28-year-old Waterford man was arrested for drunk driving on Dixie after a deputy observed erratic driving. A search turned up marijuana in the car.

A 23-year-old Pontiac man working at a Clintonville Rd. business was arrested on several outstanding felony warrants, including aggravated assault and probation violation.

A 1986 Buick was scratched in a Burwick driveway.

A license plate was reported missing from a 1993 Chevy parked on Oak Hill.

Larceny of a green Huffy bicycle on Mann.

A 1995 Grand Prix was reported stolen from outside a Dixie restaurant between 10:30 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Four Clarkston juveniles were observed using marijuana at a home on Mann but fled when deputies were called.

ATV accident on Ascension.

Medical on Pine Knob Lane.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, medical on Maybee and on M-15.

Injury accident on M-15.

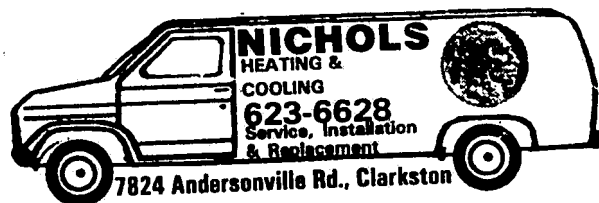
Threatening phone calls on Sashabaw.

Obscene phone calls on M-15.

Turfing in Deerwood Subdivision. A witness reported seeing numerous juveniles; two vehicles were caught. One driver, a 17-year-old from Davisburg, was ticketed.

Juveniles threw food at a house on Fawn Valley, breaking a window in the process. A witness saw two juveniles in a red, Blazer type vehicle.

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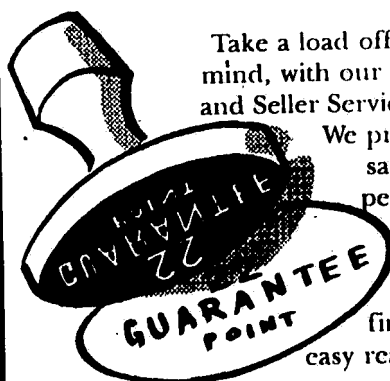
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by Kelley R. Kostin
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HINT: As far as proximate cause is concerned, the issue for juries and judges to decide is whether the negligent (in)action by the wrongdoer could have foreseeably led to the plaintiff's injuries.

Local families victims in scheme

From page 17A

ning. They don't understand how he could have lost so much money at a time when the market was doing so well. And they want an accounting of the money that is missing that wasn't lost on the market.

As far as what they've learned from the experience, it comes down to an old

adage: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

"I don't think we ever thought we'd lose everything. I know I didn't," one woman said. "I think I'm as mad at myself as him. I'm mad at everybody that's in it as well... It's hard to believe that many people were so stupid."

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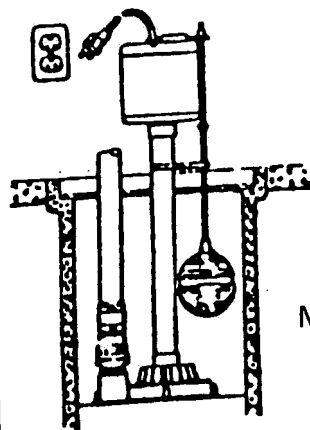


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Section B

Friday and Saturday, three CHS teams achieved season-long goals. Because of their success, Clarkston is now known as a ...

CITY OF CHAMPIONS



Angelo Taylor soars above the competition during Friday's basketball game at Ferndale. The varsity basketball team won the OAA Division I title with an 11-1 record. For the story, see page 3B.



Every member of the varsity volleyball team earned that District 21 championship trophy it won Saturday at Waterford Mott. The Wolves came from behind in both of its matches before emerging victorious. For the story, see the back page.



The Clarkston hockey team proudly poses with its regional title trophy after its 8-1 win over Flint Southwestern Saturday. For the story, see page 2B.

Hockey team wins region

Quarterfinal matchup with Grosse Pointe South at 8 p.m. Wed.

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

| 1998 Hockey Regional Finals | |
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| Clarkston | 8 |
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In the "sport" of ice dancing, style points count as much as technical execution.

It's a good thing style points don't count in hockey, because Saturday's regional final game between Clarkston and Flint Southwestern Academy would have been much closer than it was.

The Wolves captured CHS's first regional championship of the 1997-98 school year with a resounding 8-1 win over the Knights. Clarkston is now in the state quarterfinals against Grosse Pointe South at 8 p.m. Wednesday (tonight) at the Flint IMA Arena.

Coach Rick Rowden was very happy to win the region, the first in his two-year history of the team.

"This is a great accomplishment for all of us," he said, still clutching the wooden trophy. "Not a lot of people can say they won a district and a region, but we can do that now. It's something the boys can look back on and feel proud of."

Sophomore Bill Kalush said winning the region may help increase attention for hockey within the Clarkston area.

"People aren't sure about hockey yet, but hopefully with us winning this, more will know about it," he said. "We had a great turnout tonight, and it helped us out a lot."

The biggest crowd to see the Wolves play this season was treated to a game that saw the Knights play much better than expected. The team's forwards showed some speed, and the goaltending kept the game close through the first period, which ended with Clarkston clinging to a 2-1 lead.

The Wolves were never threatened by the Knights, but couldn't put them away either. Clarkston outshot Southwestern 14-3 in each of the first two periods, and held the Knights without a single shot in the third period.

Rowden attributed the slow start to the delayed start of the game, which got pushed back because of a playoff game earlier in the day that went to triple overtime.

"The boys were sitting in the locker room for 90 minutes, so they were a little anxious," he said. "All we needed to do was lace up the skates and get the game started."

Southwestern took advantage of the early cobwebs by scoring a fluke goal just 26 seconds into the contest. A clearing pass took a bad bounce behind Clarkston goaltender Pat Cook and popped out into the crease in front of a wide-open net.

Clarkston took all of 14 seconds to answer on a rocket from the point by sophomore defenseman Tom Newman. Newman has become one of the team's most improved players this season defensively, but he's also found the offensive touch in the postseason, scoring two goals and assisting on four others.

Junior Bret Postal scored the game-winner with 5:05 left in the first when he weaved through three Southwestern players and fired a wrist shot into the net. Sophomore Andy Cote and senior captain Ryan Peters tallied goals in the second period for Clarkston.

The third period saw the Wolves completely in control of the play, even when shorthanded. Peters' goal and Postal's second goal of the game each came when the Wolves were a man short. Juniors Adam Leech and Ronnie Wells rounded out the scoring for the



Freshman Steve Janowiak skates by a demoralized Grand Blanc goaltender after giving Clarkston a 5-0 lead in the district finals March 4. Clarkston won 10-1 to earn its first-ever district title.

Wolves, who are now 19-7-1 overall.

Rowden said winning the region should send a message to the rest of the state that Clarkston is a team to be reckoned with.

"With this trophy, now we can show the state that we belong," he said.

For more on the quarterfinal game against Grosse Pointe South, check out the Hockey Notebook.

| 1998 Hockey District Finals | |
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The Grand Blanc Bobcats went down swinging. Literally.

Already overmatched by a far superior Clarkston team, the Bobcats decided to end their season with a boatload of penalty minutes and a series of cheap shots against Clarkston players in the final seconds of Wednesday's district finals at the Flint IMA Arena.

The Wolves captured their first district championship with a 10-1 win. The game was over long before Grand Blanc employed its Saturday-night wrestling tactics.

However, the performance of the Wolves overshadowed any blindsided attacks Grand Blanc could muster. Clarkston held Grand Blanc without even a single shot on goal during a two-minute, two-man advantage and at the end of the second period, had more goals (7) than Grand Blanc had shots (5).

"We knew we had to stay focused and play hockey against this team," Rowden said after the game. "It's nice, because we can now put some of our own hardware in the trophy case."

This veteran team was led in scoring by a pair of freshmen, Steve Janowiak and Jon Bemis, who each scored two goals on the night. Wells scored one and dished out two assists, and Newman also had a goal and two assists.

Hockey notebook

Quarterfinal preview

Thanks to Saturday's 8-1 win over Flint Southwestern Academy, the Clarkston hockey team advances to tonight's state quarterfinals against the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils.

The game is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. at the big rink at the Flint IMA Arena. Tickets are \$3 each and can be purchased at the IMA box office. Parking will also cost \$3.

The Blue Devils were the champions of the East Division of the Michigan Metro Hockey League this season, beating out teams like Dearborn Divine Child, Southgate Anderson and Grosse Pointe North.

South, 24-3-1 on the season, won its region with a 2-1 upset over defending Class A champions Detroit Catholic Central Saturday. In its playoff run, South has defeated Grosse Pointe North (7-2), Bloomfield Hills Lahser (7-0) and Birmingham (6-3).

According to Ben Holden of Hockey Weekly magazine, South is a team with a lot of speed that plays good positional hockey.

"South is a senior-laden team with a lot of depth," he said. "Charlie Braun and Justin Whitehead scored their goals against Catholic Central and are dynamite with the puck. South outworked and outskated CC to get that win."

The winner of the Clarkston-Grosse Pointe South game takes on the winner of Port Huron Northern and Muskegon Mona Shores in the state semifinals at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Flint IMA Arena.

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Wolves win another league championship

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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| Clarkston | 66 |
| Ferndale | 40 |

Opponents of the Clarkston varsity boys basketball team keep daring someone other than Dane Fife and Angelo Taylor to beat them.

And those players keep doing it, the latest example coming in Friday's 66-40 win at Ferndale in the team's regular season finale.

Thanks to dead-eye shooting by Mike Maitrott, Justin Dionne and Brad Phalen, Clarkston was able to break open a close game early and run away with a win over an Eagle team that had defeated Pontiac Northern

on their home floor three days earlier.

"We missed some shots early on, but I told the guys to keep shooting and they would start falling for us," coach Dan Fife said after the game. "I thought our defensive intensity was much better in this game than Tuesday, and we definitely didn't want to go into the (state) tournament with a loss."

With Northern's loss to Ferndale, Clarkston clinched the OAA Division I title outright. Last season, the Wolves (18-2 overall, 11-1 in the OAA I) shared the championship with the Huskies.

"To win the league by ourselves this year is very good for the team," Coach Fife said. "The league is so balanced, it says a lot for our guys to only have one loss. It means we had a consistent intensity on defense, which is key for our team."

Dane Fife led the scoring parade with 26 points, along with seven assists. Maitrott had another warm

game shooting with 14 points and four 3-pointers. Dionne scored eight and made two 3s, and Phalen scored five and made one 3-pointer.

The Eagles got off to a strong start, playing with high energy and dominating the boards. Clarkston ended the first quarter with an 11-10 lead, but Ferndale responded quickly by taking a 14-11 lead early in the second.

That's when the Clarkston defense took the game over. The Wolves held Ferndale scoreless over the last six minutes of the half, and ended the second on an 11-0 run.

The third quarter was the offense's turn to shine. Maitrott, Dionne and Fife nailed four 3s in the quarter to give Clarkston a commanding 47-28 lead after three.

Coach Fife gave the guards credit for shutting down Ferndale's offense.

Continued on the back page



Senior Dane Fife flies in for a layup during the third quarter of Clarkston's 66-40 win at Ferndale.

Basketball notebook

Playoff preview

The Clarkston varsity boys basketball team opens up district play Wednesday (tonight) against the Lake Orion Dragons at its new high school.

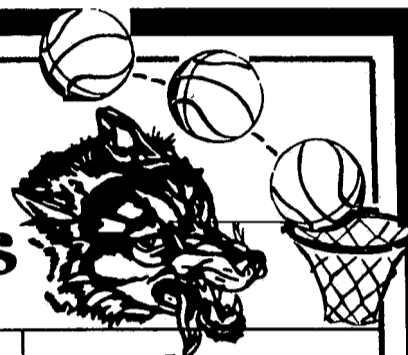
Lake Orion upset Lapeer East 46-43 in Monday's first-round district action. East was the regular-season champions of the Flint Metro League. The Dragons improved to 7-13 on the season. They finished in sixth place in the OAA Division II this season.

Coach Dan Fife said he doesn't believe good momentum - the kind the Wolves have - can carry over into the playoffs.

"The only momentum I believe in is bad momentum," he said. "These are still young kids, and who knows what can happen. We're not talented enough to just show up and beat anyone. We better have our minds into it, or there could be an upset."

Clarkston and Lake Orion haven't met since Dec. 1996, when the Wolves walked away with a 59-38 win.

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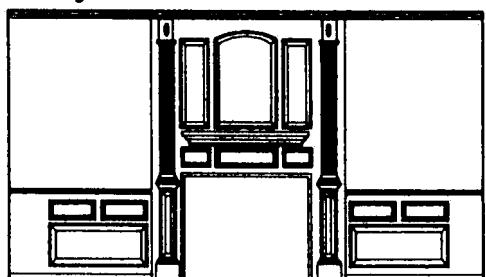
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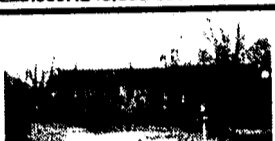
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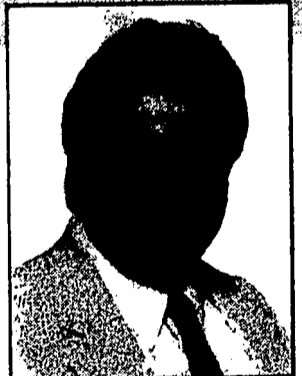
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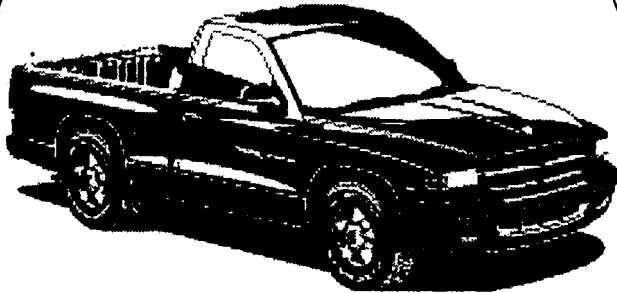
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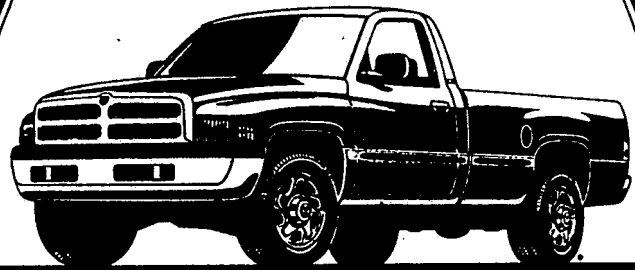
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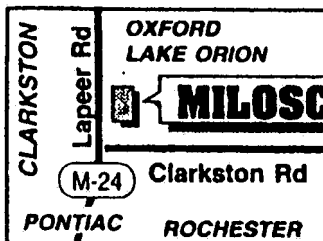
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC HEARING
The Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Annex, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, to receive citizens' comments with regard to a change in description of Community Development Block Grant Funds: 1994 and 1995 Senior Center.

Dale A. Stuart
CDBG Administrator

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
The Charter Township of Independence is seeking bids for a Color Video Hemispherical Scanning Camera. Sealed bids need to be received on or before 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 1998, as bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston. Bids will be awarded at the regular Township Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. The Charter Township of Independence reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Specifications may be obtained at the Department of Public Works, for further information, contact Linda Richardson, at the Department of Public Works, (248) 625-8222.

Joan E. McCrary, Clerk
Charter Township of Independence

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INVITATION TO BID
The Charter Township of Independence will be accepting bids for an all-terrain vehicle with PTO and dump box. Sealed bids need to be received on or before 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 1998, as bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston. Bids will be awarded at the regular Township Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. The Charter Township of Independence reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Specifications may be obtained at the Department of Public Works, for further information, contact Linda Richardson, at the Department of Public Works, (248) 625-8222.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
The Charter Township of Independence will be accepting bids for backup generator systems on three (3) sanitary sewer lift stations, owned and operated by the township. Requirements are as follows:
1. 1-KVA 100 generator with natural gas fuel.
2. 1-KVA 70 generator with natural gas fuel.
3. Relocate 1 generator, currently owned by the township, from trailer mount to permanent installation with fuel tank and automatic transfer switch.
NOTE: All generators will have automatic transfer switches. Sealed bids need to be received on or before 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 1998, as bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston. Bids will be awarded at the regular Township Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. The Charter Township of Independence reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Specifications may be obtained at the Department of Public Works, for further information, contact George Anderson, at the Department of Public Works, (248) 625-8222.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on August 5, 1997, the Board authorized a Second Reading and Adoption of a text amendment to the Township's Zoning Ordinance No. 83 as follows:
The motion to approve this amendment was offered by Travis, supported by McGee, the vote on the motion was as follows: Ayes: McCrary, McGee, Rosso, Stuart, Travis, Wallace, Wenger. Nays: None. The motion carried. This ordinance amendment is effective upon publication.

ORDINANCE GRANTING WALDON VILLAGE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT
(Text and Map Amendment to Zoning Ordinance)
An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 83, as amended, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance, as amended, for the purpose of classifying certain property situated in Section 27 of the Township to PUD Planned Unit Development, in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance, and to provide regulations for the development and use of such property.
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 of Ordinance
The approximately 33.4 acres of property in Section 27 of the Charter Township of Independence known as Parcel 08-27-100-014, 08-27-100-015, 08-27-100-028, 08-27-100-038, and 08-27-100-041, more particularly described on the attached legal description (the "Property"), are hereby classified in the Zoning Ordinance, and on the Zoning Map, from O-Office and R-1A Single Family Residential to PUD Planned Unit Development, subject to and in accordance with this amendatory ordinance.

Section 2 of Ordinance
This amendment to the Zoning Ordinance is granted subject to, and all development and use of the Property shall be under and in accordance with the following:
1. Article XXV of the Zoning Ordinance, as amended.
2. The Site Plans for the Waldon Village Planned Unit Development dated March 14, 1996, as revised, and only as approved by the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees.
3. The Permit Conditions for the Waldon Village Planned Unit Development.
4. The Development Agreement for the Waldon Village Planned Unit Development.
5. The Master Deed for Waldon Village Townhomes and the Declaration of Restrictions relating to the balance of the Waldon Village Planned Unit Development, as reviewed by the Township Attorney and approved by the Township.
6. Any and all conditions of approval of the Independence Township Board of Trustees and Planning Commission pertaining to Waldon Village Planned Unit Development.
7. Recordation with the Oakland County Register of Deeds office of an Affidavit by the owner of the Property prior to commencement of construction and prior to the sale of any property in the Waldon Village Planned Unit Development Property, containing the legal description of the entire project, specifying the date of approval of the Planned Unit Development, and declaring that all future development of the Property has been authorized, restricted and required to be carried out in accordance with this Ordinance.

Section 3 of Ordinance
Amended only as specified in this Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4 of Ordinance
The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective eight (8) days from the date of publication, unless a notice of intent to file a petition requesting submission of this Ordinance to a vote of the Township electors is filed within seven (7) days of publication. If the notice of intent is filed within seven (7) days of publication, the Ordinance shall take effect thirty-one (31) days from the date of publication, unless a petition determined to be adequate by the Township Clerk is filed within thirty (30) days of publication. If an adequate petition is filed within thirty (30) days of publication, the Ordinance shall be submitted to a vote of the Township electors, and if approved, the effective date of the Ordinance will be the date that voter approval is determined. A petition requesting submission of this Ordinance to a vote of the township electors shall be deemed adequate by the Township Clerk if it is signed by a number of registered electors residing in the portion of the Township outside the limits of cities and villages equal to not less than ten (10%) percent of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor at the last preceding general election at which a governor was elected.

CERTIFICATION
It is certified that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence on the 5th day of August, 1997.
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
By: Joan McCrary, Clerk

Introduced: 1/7/97
Adopted: 8/5/97
Effective: 3/11/98
Published: 3/11/98

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
The Charter Township of Independence will be accepting bids for 1 - 1998 4x4 Pickup Truck with plow package. Sealed bids need to be received on or before 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 1998, as bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston. Bids will be awarded at the regular Township Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. The Charter Township of Independence reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Specifications may be obtained at the Department of Public Works, for further information, contact Linda Richardson, at the Department of Public Works, (248) 625-8222.

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Charter Township of Independence

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

SYNOPSIS
TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
Appointed Trustee Travis as acting chairperson in the absence of Supervisor Stuart. Trustee Travis called the March 3, 1998 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall Annex.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call: Present: McCrary, McGee, Rosso, Travis, Wallace, Wenger
Absent: Stuart

There is a quorum.
1. Approval of Agenda with the Removal of Second Reading and Adoption - Bridge Lake Properties Rezoning, First Reading Stonewall Farms and First Reading of Housing for the Elderly Ordinance.
2. Approval of minutes of the Special Meeting of February 23, 1998 as presented.
3. Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 24, 1998 as presented.
4. Approved the List of Payment Distribution in the amount of \$50,552.97.
5. Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$26,675.00.
6. Approval to grant a Variance to Design Standards - Cul-de-sac for Woodlyn Site Condominiums.
7. Approved a not-to-exceed amount of \$32,500 for a Pole Barn for Clintonwood Park.
8. Approved Hubble, Roth and Clark to design extension of the Maybee Clintonville water main and prepare for bids.
9. Authorized DPW to seek bids for Gen-sets.
10. Adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Joan E. McCrary
Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

TOWNSHIP BOARD
AGENDA
7:30 p.m. DATE March 17, 1998

Call to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Opening Statements and Correspondence
Approval of Agenda
Minutes of Previous Meeting
Approval of Account's Payable Check Run
Approval of Purchase Orders
Public Forum
Public Hearing - CDBG - Senior Center Program Description
Old Business
1. Second Reading & Adoption - Bridge Lake Properties Rezoning
New Business
1. CDBG - Senior Center Program Description
2. First Reading Stonewall Farms
3. First Reading of Housing for the Elderly Ordinance
4. Permission to Purchase - Gen-sets
5. Contract Renewal with the City of the Village of Clarkston - Deer Lake Beach
6. Request to Award Bid - Color Video Hemispherical Scanning Camera
7. Sewer District Extension Request
Closed Session : Labor Negotiations
Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

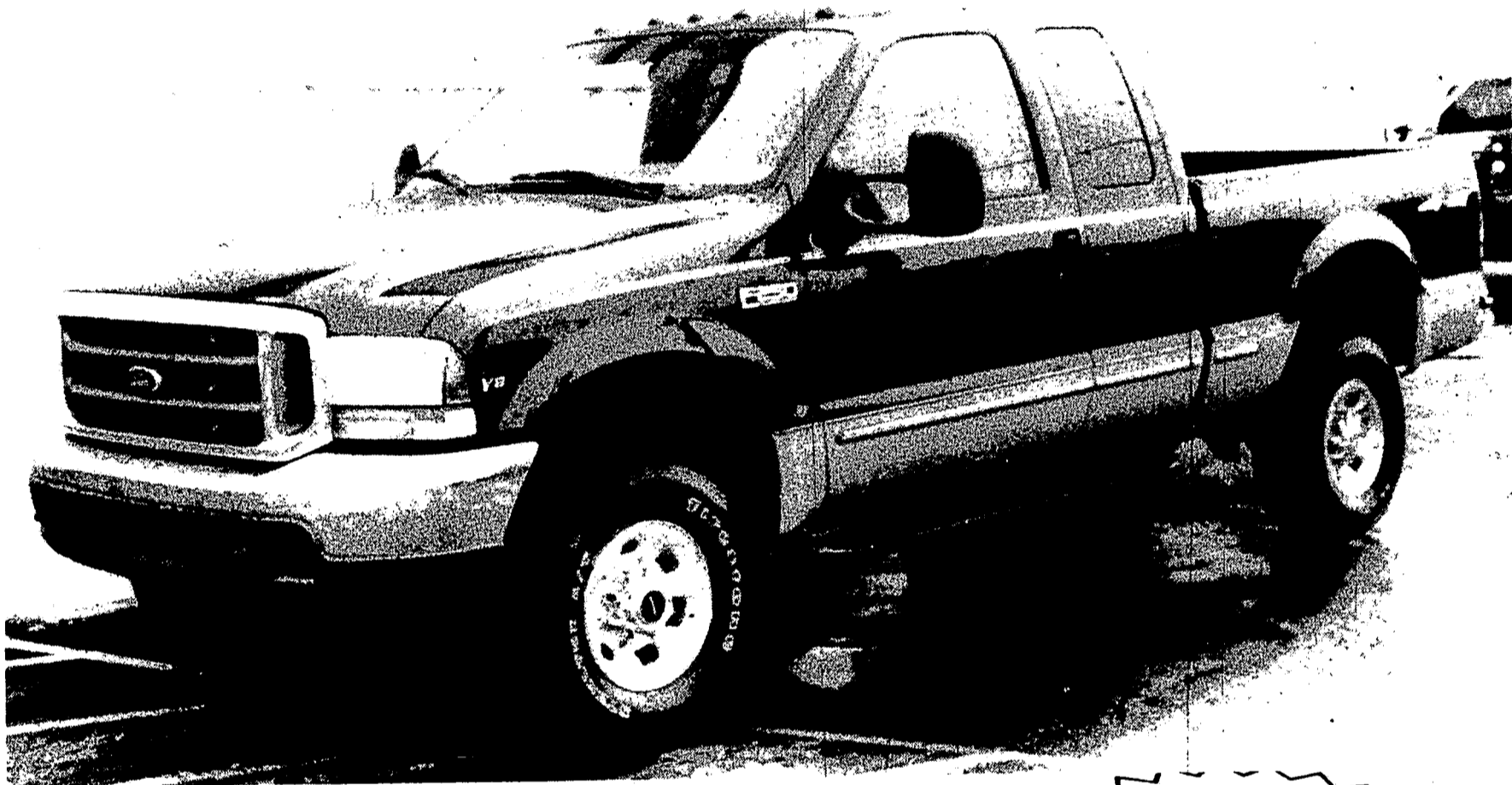
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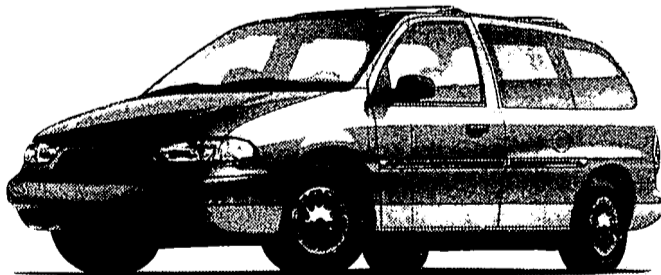
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Wolves bounce back to take 5th district title in 6 years

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

1998 Volleyball District Finals

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| Clarkston | 5-15-15 |
| Waterford Mott | 15-3-6 |

The Clarkston varsity volleyball team never seems to do anything the easy way.

That was true again Saturday, as the Wolves overcame a bad first game to capture the District 21 championship with a 5-15, 15-3, 15-6 win over the host Waterford Mott Corsairs.

After the match, Clarkston players said they never had a doubt they would win, even after losing the first game.

"Our focus was a lot better in the last two games," senior co-captain Georgia Senkyr said. "We showed a lot of composure out there. We got killed in the first game and killed them the last two."

When asked if she thought the team could still win, senior Aimee Giroux responded, "No doubt whatsoever."

"We knew that if we just kept working hard, we would win. That simple."

Senior co-captain Jenny McCue said the decisive second and third games showed how much Clarkston wanted to win the district.

"We've had a problem refocusing, and it showed in the first game," she said. "We all wanted it so bad, there was no way we were going to lose. We kept our positive attitude, and it helped us win."

Coach Gordie Richardson said a key to the Wolves' success was they didn't let mistakes or the disastrous first game bother them.

"We were playing with energy, having fun and laughing out there. That makes you more successful," he said. "We passed well, served well, and played as focused as we've been since the tournament here (Jan. 31). Everyone played extremely well today."

Statistically, the Wolves (19-19-3 overall) put up some of their best numbers of the season. As a team, Clarkston was 135-of-144 serving in the two matches, a terrific 94 percent rate. Leading the serve parade were junior Jenny Claus, who was 19-for-19 against Lakeland, Senkyr, who was 15-for-15 with five aces against Lakeland, and McCue, who was 13-for-14 against Mott.

Seniors Amber Mitchell and Kelly Hanna stepped up to deliver their best performances of the season as well. Hanna recorded a season-high 25 assists in the finals and burned the Corsairs with four kill tips, two blocks and an ace in the title-clinching third game.

"Kelly was as good as I've ever seen her," Richardson said.

Mitchell also played a vital role in winning the championship. Her strong front line play gave Clarkston another reliable weapon to go along with Senkyr, McCue and Giroux. She slammed home six kills against Mott in the finals.

"We got a great performance out of Amber today," Richardson said. "She gave us some offense in the middle, and with Aimee and (junior) Mandie (Harrison) on the sides, it gives us a better team scoring threat."

Senkyr dominated Mott at the net, registering a team-high 14 kills on 31-of-33 attacks. She also had four solo blocks, and seemed to intimidate Mott's front line as the match wore on.

"Georgia is our best athlete, and when she plays well, we play well," Richardson said. "She still needs to



The Clarkston varsity volleyball team is all smiles after its well-deserved district title. Clarkston came back from a loss in game one of the finals to defeat host Waterford Mott in three games, 5-15, 15-3, 15-6 to take home the hardware.

play defense with more intensity, but she was very, very good at the net."

Clarkston complemented its strong offensive and serving games with its best defensive effort of the season. The team only committed two serve reception errors in games two and three against Mott after committing three in game one. Claus led the way by going 10-for-12 on attack receptions. McCue was 18-for-18 on serve receptions and 13-for-17 on attack receptions.

Richardson said he was happy with the way the team came together after a difficult end to the regular season. Clarkston lost its last four league dual matches before coming back with a better effort in the OAA Tournament Feb. 28.

"I think after we saw we couldn't win the league, we lost some of our intensity and concentration," he said. "But both of those things were there today. These kids are good enough athletes and students that when they put their minds to something, they are very capable of getting the job done. Winning the district was one of our season goals, and they were very confident they would win it."

Mott started out the finals playing near perfect volleyball in its 15-5 win in game one. Clarkston made several errors on offense and defense, and was unable to mount any kind of offense.

Games two and three were complete reversals that saw the Wolves play with spirit and confidence. Clarkston jumped out to a 6-0 lead in game two and had little resistance in cruising to a 15-3 win. Clarkston fell behind 3-0 early in game three before showing its aforementioned composure by running off a 9-0 run to take a 9-3 lead. McCue tapped a ball over the net that Mott fumbled out of bounds to clinch the title.

The semifinals against Lakeland went much the same way. The Wolves were losing 5-4 when Hanna and Giroux entered the game. They helped spark Clarkston on an 11-2 run to end the game with a 15-7 win.

The Wolves blew an 8-4 lead in game two, allowing the Eagles to come back with an 11-1 run to

win that game 15-9. Clarkston was never threatened in game three, going away with a 15-8 win.

"It was a very satisfying feeling to see the kids who have worked so hard to celebrate a championship," Richardson said. "I always want to see the kids I teach and coach to be successful, and this group really wanted to win."

Volleyball Notebook

Regional preview

The Clarkston varsity volleyball team will make its fifth trip to regionals in the last six years this weekend.

The Wolves head to Lapeer East High School for regional competition starting at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Wolves have a stern test in the form of Birmingham Marian (39-11-3). That game starts 30 minutes after the completion of the Grand Blanc-Walled Lake Central regional semifinal, starting at 10 a.m.

Clarkston lost to the Mustangs at the Grand Blanc Invitational Jan. 17 15-7, 15-11. The Wolves played Marian tough in both games, taking an 8-2 lead in the second game before succumbing.

Marian is led by lefthander Kristy Kreher and left-side hitter Katrina Lehman. Both are six feet tall and powerful hitters who are headed to Division I schools next year, Kreher to Notre Dame and Lehman to Michigan.

"Marian has a lot of height on both the right and left sides," Clarkston coach Gordie Richardson said. "One is finesse, the other just rips the ball. But they will make mistakes, and we have to take advantage of those."

The regional champion moves on to the state quarterfinals March 17 at Gladwin High School against the regional champion from Gaylord, likely to be Midland or St. Johns.

Wins over Ferndale, Rochester give cagers OAA I title

From Page 3B

"Our guards really harassed them in the second half," he said. "Dan Neubeck gave us a spark like he always does, and I thought Kevin Mason came in and did a nice job."

Ferndale's top two scorers, Randy Royal and

Damon Lucas, were held to 19 total points, 15 below their combined season averages.

For a preview of Wednesday's district semifinals, check out the Basketball Notebook.